

SPECIAL ELECTION THING OF THE PAST

The special election called for Tuesday, January 10, to vote on granting a franchise for natural gas to the Moody & Seagraves Co., passed by a vote of 781 to 166.

The vote by wards follows:

Ward 1, Yes, 211; No, 32
Ward 2, Yes, 156; No, 60
Ward 3, Yes, 207; No, 37
Ward 4, Yes, 207; No, 37

The special election to change the form of government for Sikeston created much interest, but many failed to come out as the proposition was not thoroughly understood. The vote was a close one as it stood yes, 456; No, 461. The vote by wards follows:

Ward 1, Yes, 161; No, 91
Ward 2, Yes, 120; No, 44
Ward 3, Yes, 105; No, 141
Ward 4, Yes, 70; No, 135

The Sikeston correspondent of the Post-Dispatch stated advocates of the Commission Form of Government would probably proceed with another attempt to vote on the proposition as the vote was so close. Two attorneys have informed The Standard that the question cannot be brought up again before two years.

MURDER DELIBERATE GOV. SMITH SAYS

Gov. Smith's statement denying executive clemency to Ruth Snyder and Henry Judd Gray follows:

"In the matter of the application for executive clemency for Ruth Snyder and Henry Judd Gray: 'This case received my anxious consideration, not merely since the hearing before me upon the application for executive clemency, but ever since the Court of Appeals unanimously affirmed the judgment of the defendants. 'The execution of this judgment on a woman is so distressing that I had hoped that the appeal to me for executive clemency would disclose some fact which would justify my interference with the processes of the law. But this did not happen.

"I have searched in vain for any basis which my conscience, in the light of my oath of office, will approve, on which I might temper the law with mercy. Up to this writing there is no extenuation shown for what seven judges of the Court of Appeals, in agreement with the twelve jurors and the trial justice, have found to be a deliberate and premeditated murder committed by these defendants.

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SURPRISE PARTY FOR MR. AND MRS. SAYERS TANNER

Mesdames Ben Hahn and Alcom Lewis surprised Mr. and Mrs. Sayers Tanner at their home in the country, last Friday evening with a shower. The occasion being the ninth anniversary of their marriage. Mrs. Tanner received some lovely gifts from those present. The following from Sikeston attended besides their neighbors in the country: Mrs. Wm. Smith, Mrs. Charles Tanner, Harrison Tanner, Louis Ellen Tanner, Mrs. David Allard, Mrs. Ida Lewis, Miss Pearl Allard, Mrs. Randol Wilson, Miss Myra Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Tanner.

AMONG OUR SICK

We are glad to report that John N. Chaney, who has been ill, is up and around again.

Mrs. Gossitt, who was operated on for appendicitis and who is a patient at the Emergency Hospital, is progressing satisfactorily.

Dr. O. E. Kendall is still improving at his home on South Kingshighway.

Mrs. Mollie Marshall, who suffered a bad scalp wound and a sprained hand and arm last week, is improving.

Forrest Young, who had his hand badly mangled in an electric planing machine at his shop several days ago, is getting along fine he informs The Standard. He will not lose his fingers that were so badly cut as first thought.

A. B. Skillman, who has been confined to his bed with a severe sore throat, is better.

T. J. Mathis was a business visitor to Poplar Bluff, Thursday.

Mrs. Paul Anderson entertained Mrs. Emma Kendall, Mrs. Henrietta Stumm, Mrs. Wallace Applegate and Mrs. Handy Smith at lunch at the Cape Girardeau Tea Room, Thursday.

3 BANDITS CAUGHT AFTER BIG HOLDUP

East Prairie, January 10.—Three bandits, who early Monday night held up and robbed two men in a rooming house at Caruthersville of \$1600 and two valuable diamonds, were captured here early today by Marshal George Wright.

The men gave their names as: Elbert Johnson, 25, Chicago; Frank Smith, 25, West Frankfort, and Richard Miller, 34, Cape Girardeau.

Marshal Wright reported finding \$923 of the money, \$74 being taken from Miller and the remainder, about equally divided, from the other two. The bandits refused to say where the remainder of the money was, except to state that they had thrown away about \$400 in silver. The diamonds, a ring and a stud, also were recovered.

The officer here was notified of the robbery from Caruthersville, and later was notified from New Madrid that the bandits had eluded a posse there, and had abandoned their automobile and were making their way to this place on foot.

Wright intercepted Smith and Johnson in a restaurant here at 6 a. m. and a few minutes later captured Miller on the street.

Sheriff Wade Tucker, of New Madrid, who engaged the bandits in a gun battle at the outskirts of New Madrid when they refused to halt their Hudson automobile, came here this forenoon and took the men to New Madrid. En route he said he intended looking for the silver money the men had thrown away.

Fleeing under a barrage of shots from Sheriff Tucker and his posse, the bandits left the highway at New Madrid, taking a side street that led to the river. Here they were forced to abandon their automobile, and they set out on foot along the government levee, following to where it intersects with the railroad leading to East Prairie.

According to the report to Sheriff J. H. Smith at Caruthersville, two bandits entered a rooming house over the Elks Cafe there early Monday night, directed their guns at the two occupants, John Garrett and Luke Van Arsdale, and took \$1600 in money and the two diamonds.

After warning the men to remain in the room until they reached the street, the bandits backed out of the room and entered the automobile, at the wheel of which a man, later identified as Miller, had waited. They sped away, going west toward Highway No. 61.

Sheriff Smith, after being notified, warned officers along highways, and Sheriff Tucker placed a guard on the road where it enters New Madrid.

Approximately \$1200 of the money was in bills, according to Garrett's statement, to officers, while \$400 was in silver. The bandits, however, said they had thrown away only the silver and that the bills found by Marshal Wright constituted the remainder of the loot.

Marshal Wright took three revolvers from the men, Johnson having two and Smith one. Miller was unarmed.

Miller, who insisted he was from Cape Girardeau, gave his occupation as "gambler".

Sheriff Smith said the men had been around Caruthersville for several days, and he believes they had intended staging a bank holdup there.—Cape Missourian.

TELEPHONE BILLING CHANGED ON FEBRUARY 1

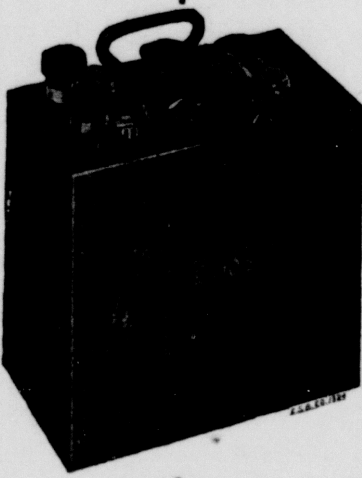
Telephone users in Sikeston will be billed for their telephone service in advance after February 1, L. D. Randol, district manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, announced today.

"Heretofore," Randol said, "telephone subscribers have been billed on the first of the month for the previous month's bill. Under the new system, subscribers will be billed for telephone service for the month in which the bill is presented. Long distance charges up to the twenty-first of the preceding month will be included in this bill.

"In February, telephone users will receive two bills: the regular one on the first of the month for service during January; and the second on the fifteenth for February service. Long distance charges up to the twenty-first of January will be included on the first bill."

Pleasant Hill—Messrs. Maddin and Shippey to drill here for shale gas.

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SENATE PASSES FARM REHABILITATION BILL

Washington, January 11.—Without opposition, the Senate today passed the bill introduced by Senator Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas for the purpose of providing immediate means for rehabilitating farm lands in the flood areas. The bill, which was reported from the Senate committee on agriculture and forestry by Senator Caraway, member of the committee, provides:

"That due to the emergency existing in the Lower Mississippi Valley as a result of the flood of 1927, county funds available from taxation are so impaired throughout the flood area that a continued support of the normal constructive activities of these counties, including the employment of county extension agents in agricultural and home economics, will be impossible. The secretary of agriculture is hereby authorized, in co-operation with the several states and local agencies within these states, to employ such county extension agents necessary to aid in quickly and adequately rehabilitating these flood-devastated farm areas.

"That for the purpose of this act there is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$500,000 for the employment of county extension agents, traveling, subsistence and other necessary expenses, to be expended by the secretary of agriculture under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe for the proper carrying out of the purposes of this act."

FAVORS LOCAL AID IN FLOOD CONTROL

Washington, January 11.—The Federal Government should control the Mississippi River for the purpose of navigation, Col. Charles L. Potter of St. Louis, the River Commission president, says, but there should be some form of local co-operation and expense in flood control.

Testifying for the fourth day before the House Flood Control Committee today, Col. Potter asserted that "there is need of local interest for the protection of the levees". He said this interest is stimulated by participation in the cost.

Chairman Reed delved in the campaign of the commission among the levee districts of the valley for payment of their allotments for flood works. Col. Potter admitted that the dealings with the levee districts on financing was "all verbal and there were few written records of these transactions".

"The levee districts under the present law are under contract to make their contribution to the Government for flood protection," he said.

Representative Cox of Georgia, a Democrat, on the committee, asked Col. Potter if the commission was influenced in its studies and report by the army engineers. The commission's president said "No".

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1.15 CTS. FOR FARMER IN 8-CT. LOAF OF BREAD

Washington, January 11.—A one-pound loaf of bread cost the American family 8.55 cents over a three-year period recently studied by the Federal Trade Commission, with the farmer who raised the wheat receiving 1.15 cents and the baker 5.11 cents of the amount.

In a table showing the distribution of the 8.55 cents paid out by the American householder for his pound loaf, the commission disclosed the miller received the smallest share, 0.41 cents, with the grocer getting 1.28 cents, and the railroads and other handlers 0.60 cents.

With nearly half the bread now consumed in the United States produced by commercial bakeries and with three companies controlling about 20 per cent of that output, the commission found that competition was keen although price cutting wars had resulted in price fixing agreements in some cities.

Wholesale bread prices have shown a pronounced decline from the high levels of 1920, with prices following the trend of flour prices during that period, the commission found.

It further observed "abundant potential competition" in the flour milling industry, but there were "frequent efforts" to limit production among millers by agreements and understandings to sell at a profit as well as by exchange of information on selling prices and by other means.

The Ward, General and Continental corporations, it was established, conduct about 150 bakeries with an estimated output of almost 20 per cent of the total commercial bread production in the United States.

Profits of wholesale bakers were comparatively high in the six years from 1920 through 1925, the report stated. The rate of return on the total baking investment, as shown by the companies' books or as reported to the commission, was 14.90 per cent, and the investment, as revised by the commission to eliminate intangibles and appreciation, averaged more than 25 per cent.

Sikeston High School News

By Hallie Carey
Exams are here.
Everybody's crammin'
And at the last minute
Preparin' for examin'!

A boys' quartette consisting of Frank Miller, Linn Swaim, Carroll Sutton and Kemper Bruton is planning on appearing in public next Tuesday evening if it survives from exams.

A new amendment has been added to the Constitution of Sikeston High School to the effect that the portals will be shut tight and locked fast at 8:45 a. m. and 1:00 p. m. No admittance will be gained after said hours.

Miss Rubye Rogers was absent from school the latter part of last week on account of the death of her grandfather, J. A. Rogers, of Greenfield, Tenn., formerly a resident of Sikeston.

Miss Cornelia Randol shopped in Charleston Tuesday afternoon.

The representative from Barnes' School of Nursing talked to the prospective nurses among the Senior class Wednesday morning.

Freshman News

Several "Freshies" were excused Tuesday afternoon to see "Ben Hur", whom they declared as a mighty fine fellow.

All "Freshies" are suffering that terrible disease called "Exams" this week and it is awfully hard to tell whether the patients of Miss Besgrove, Miss Jennings, Mrs. Veith and Mr. Granneman are going to recover.

We, the ninth grade, are proud of our little classmate, who played basketball last Friday night and helped defeat Charleston. Come on "Freshies" give fifteen raps for "Imo" or Imogene Albritton, if you please.

Don't forget the game Friday with Caruthersville, here.

Robert Mow, Shirley Bloomfield and A. B. Skillman are on the sick list this week.

Mrs. O. W. McCutchen of Blytheville, Ark., spent the early part of the week in Sikeston.

Mrs. Ralph Anderson and children, who have been spending the holidays with Mrs. Anderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Huckleby at Jacksonville, Ill., returned home Thursday afternoon.

ALVIN NICHOLSON ACCIDENTLY KILLED

A repeating rifle in the hands of a lad and shooting within the corporate limits caused the death of Alvin Nicholson, 12 years of age, when he got in the range of the rifle fired by J. W. Stone, a 13-year-old boy, both of Sikeston.

Stone was shooting the rifle loaded with .22 long, when the Nicholson lad stepped from behind the post that was the target, when the bullet struck him about the left cheek bone, ranging a little up and came out at the back of his head, passing through the brain.

The lad was rushed to the Emergency Hospital for treatment, but never regained consciousness and passed away about 1:00 o'clock Thursday morning.

This should be a warning to parents to keep dangerous weapons out of the hands of young boys, and especially in the city.

CARDS ARE STACKED AGAINST 'THE FOX'

Los Angeles, January 11.—One more chance to escape the noose for the kidnapping and slaying of Marian Parker was lost by William Edward Hickman late today when the juvenile court judge, Scott, dismissed a petition filed last summer making him a ward of the juvenile court.

The action definitely ended Hickman's claim that he is a minor. The 19-year-old accused youth is now eligible for trial in the superior court, where conviction for murder is punishable with death.

Hickman was taken to court at 2 p. m. under heavy guard. Few spectators were present as his appearance in juvenile court was not expected by the public. The petition dismissed today had been filed last August when Hickman was released on probation on forgery charges.

In Hickman's cell earlier today state and defense alienists slated to appear at his sanity hearing January 25 confronted each other. Dr. O. R. Shelton, hired by the defense, was with Hickman when Dr. Herman Schorr and Paul Bowers, state psychiatrists, arrived.

Dr. Shelton informed the state doctors that Hickman refused to be tested by the state psychiatrists and further that it would require three days for him to finish his examination.

Doctors Schorr and Bowers conferred with District Attorney Asa Keyes and Dr. Benjamin Blank, county jail physician. Thereupon Dr. Blank went to Shelton, who was continuing to interview Hickman, and announced to Dr. Shelton that either the state alienists would examine Hickman or else Shelton would not be allowed to.

Dr. Shelton, however, continued his examination and said he would induce Hickman to submit to investigation by the state's alienists.

SOCIAL AFFAIRS

Mrs. Wallace Applegate delightfully entertained with an informal tea at her home Wednesday afternoon, complimentary to her house guest, Mrs. Henrietta Stumm. About eighteen ladies enjoyed the afternoon. Several very original numbers were given by some of the talented ladies present. Mrs. Stumm gave two readings, which everyone enjoyed. A delicious salad luncheon was served.

Mrs. Charles Prow will entertain the Friday Bridge Club.

Mrs. Murray Klein was hostess to the Tuesday Club and an extra table of guests. Mrs. Sam Brady of Camden, Ark., was the out-of-town guest.

Mrs. J. L. Matthews had a few friends in for bridge Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Sam Brady of Camden, Ark., who is visiting homefolks in Sikeston.

The Chillicothe Business College passed the 2000 mark in its yearly enrollment this past week, a mark which in previous years was not reached until the June Opening.

Mrs. Sue Stallcup, who has been spending several weeks in Sikeston, returned to Hot Springs, Ark., Thursday. Mrs. Stallcup will visit in Memphis, Tenn., en route to Hot Springs, to consult her oculist.

Craven Watkins is located at Magnolia, Ark., near the Louisiana line, where he is slab inspector on the Arkansas State Highway. It is the same sort of a position that he had on No. 84 below Lilbourn. His family will join him soon.

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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AT SIKESTON, MISSOURI

Entered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,
Scott County, Missouri, as second-
class mail matter, according to act
of Congress.

Rates:
Display advertising, per single
column inch, net25c
Reading notices, per line10c
Bank statements\$10.00
Probate notices, minimum\$ 5.00
Yearly subscription in Scott and the
adjoining counties\$15.00
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the
United States\$20.00

This is one time The Standard editor
won both of his bets!

We can now tell why the Commission
Form of Government failed to
pass. It lacked a majority vote.

The activity displayed by many of
our partisan Republicans was another
thing that made some vote the way
they did. It looked as though they
wanted the pie and not for the good
of the city.

There is some talk of taking action
against one of the election judges in
the special election of Tuesday for
electioneering in the voting room and
marking the ballots of five negro men
the opposite from what they wanted
to vote.

Fred Groves was down from the
Cape Wednesday driving one of the
new Fords. While here with it last
week, The Standard editor had the
pleasure of a ride in the new product
and was agreeably surprised at the
easy riding of the car. It sped along
at a 55-mile gait and had no jar,
tremble or shake to it. It looks good
to the eye, too.

The nerviest proposition that has
hit The Standard office for a long time
was a man claiming to be a printer,
who blew into the office Wednesday
morning and asked for a donation to
help him get to Cairo. He was driving
a car and had a woman, his wife,
he said, with him. The Standard editor
has no car and we'll be blamed if
we contribute the price to joy riders.

One of our largest farmers suggested
to the editor that he state that
Sikeston is yet a country town and
should not attempt city ways until
the farmer gets back on his feet, that
the farmer is anxious to see Sikeston
grow and will do his part when a turn
for the better comes. This is a good
suggestion and worthy of consideration.
Without money we cannot grow, and
the farmer has to furnish Sikeston
with the money. Here's hoping
1928 will be the turning point for the
better.

The blow that almost killed father
fell Tuesday with a sickening thud. It
was so close that the victors have no
room to crow. It was evident that the
voters wanted a change of some sort.
Some thought for better, some
thought for worse. With this idea in
view, the members of the present
form of government should seek a
way to regain the confidence of all by
trying to revise some of the ordinances
that would permit of consolidating
some of the offices, making minimum
salaries \$5, to permit the employment
of a city manager, and to lay out a program
of some sort that would be helpful
to the entire city. To be sure it
would cost, perhaps, \$2500 to get a
capable man for the job, but it would
be his duty to look after the interests
of the city, give his entire attention
to same, and maybe save enough of
the city's money to more than pay his
salary. We believe such a man is F.
L. Pittman, former mayor of Union
City, Tenn., former president of the
Sikeston Lions Club. There should be
no ill feeling caused by the campaign
just closed as there were just as many
good citizens working for one side of
the question as was working for the
other side. It is a better city that all
are after and one that will advance
just as fast as the finances will permit.

Since the above was put in type we
are informed that it would be necessary
to change the present form of
city government in order to employ a
city manager, and that the statutes of
the State of Missouri provide for the
elective officers now in office in cities
of this class.

The rabid talk that has been indulged
in by a few around Sikeston as to
a supposed shortage in city finances
and who got the money, should be
curbed or they forced to prove the
charges. The grand jury will find or
refuse to return an indictment at
their adjourned term during January,
against somebody, or a warrant will
be sworn out that will cause an investigation
of the entire matter, and the blame
placed where it rightfully belongs.
There is a shortage without a doubt
and The Standard is familiar with
most of the details, but hesitates
to publish same until some legal action
has been taken, as we do not
wish to prejudice the case one way or
the other. A libel case would be justified
against some of those doing the
talking.

Frank DeCon, chief of game wardens,
has informed Deputy Game Warden
John Malone, that an officer has
the right to demand the count of
game if he has an idea that the law
is being broken. The editor of The
Standard has read this letter and
knows it is true.

Jas. Johnson, who was confined to
his home for a few days this week on
account of being ill, is again able to
be at his place of business.

The mouthing assault on the present
city administration was ill-timed
to say the least, as it made the members
work all the more to defeat the
Commission Form. The administration
of Mayor Felker was severely
criticized by some, the same with the
Administration of Mayor White. All
three of these administrations were
severely criticized by some, and mostly
without reason, as all could accomplish
little without more revenue. The
administrations of Mayor Malone were
likewise criticized when he paid out
of his own pocket many bills that
should have been paid by the city. He
was able to do it and his pride of
things for his home city was a pleasure
to him. If you KNOW of anything
criminal against the administration,
or any member, it is your duty as a
good citizen to take legal action,
and if not, go slow. Disappointed
job hunters sometimes start talk
and sometimes talk starts itself.

Listen to this and see if you would
be willing to take stock in enterprise
to manufacture the goods sold in the
Southeast Missouri territory. During
the year just past, one concern shipped
into the territory east from Poplar
Bluff to the Mississippi River and
from Cape Girardeau to the Arkansas
border, 18 car loads of condensed
milk and over two million dollars
worth of meat products. This just for
one firm. There were 75,000 cases of
the milk at a cost of \$4.50 per case.
Other sections are securing such enterprises
and Sikeston is lying in a good
position to serve this territory
with the goods. What do you think
of it?

The Standard notes with regret
that the Japanese Tea Room has been
forced into bankruptcy. It was a much
needed place and was run on a high
plane. Happy has labored hard to
make it a going concern, but slack
times and abnormal expenses force
him to take this step.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Matthews of
Portageville returned home Wednesday
afternoon, after a visit with their
son, Emory Matthews and family.

Mrs. J. M. Klein, Mrs. Betty Matthews
and Mr. and Mrs. Barney Forrester
visited Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hunter
of Cape Girardeau, Wednesday afternoon.

One reason murderers are rarely
rung in America is that juries often
are—Virginia-Pilot.

Mistletoe, briefly a glorious opportunity,
is once again a mere parasite.
—Philadelphia Evening Public Ledger.

Americans haven't anything like a
bul ring, unless you count the one
candidates throw their hats in.—San
Jose News.

"The world is so full of a number
of things, I am sure we should all be
as happy as kings", was written some
time before the world got full of dictators.
—Arkansas Gazette.

This is the season when no man
should be criticized for the necktie
he wears.—Indianapolis Star.

A king still has it soft in many
ways. Michael of Roumania gets a
lump of sugar after taking his cough
medicine.—Detroit News.

This country, in sending Lindbergh
and his plane to Mexico, certainly
put its best feat forward.—Marshall
County (Minn.) Banner.

As the owner of most of the gold in
the world, America cordially welcomes
Italy back to the gold standard.—
Springfield Republican.

In this wet-and-dry conflict, there's
something about a politician on the
fence that reminds you of a refugee.
—Publishers Syndicate.

It wasn't the development of more
deadly weapons that abolished dueling;
it was the development of common
sense.—New Britain Herald.

BOYER AUTO SERVICE IN NEW QUARTERS

The Boyer Auto Service have moved
their office and accessories into the
new Keith Building and are now
ready to welcome all visitors. This
room is well lighted and the dimensions
permits of the splendid display
of the lines handled by the Boyer
Service Co.

They carry parts for most of the
popular makes of cars, the Miller
tires and tubes, and expect to have
on display in a few days, a line of
popular cars.

The quarters formerly occupied by
the Boyer Service Co. will be used as
a machine shop and repair shop. The
machine shop has been moved to the
front of the building, and from the
looks of the equipment, no job will be
too large.

Boyer has built up an enviable business
in Sikeston and has done so by
giving honest service to the public.
He will take pride in showing you
through.

OPPOSES DIVERSION OF STATE GAME FUNDS

Perryville, Mo., January 11.—The
Perry County Fish and Game Protective
Association, a local organization with
aims similar to those of the Izaak
Walton League, Monday adopted
a resolution protesting against the
diversion of funds of the State Game
and Fish Department to projects foreign
to the intended activities of that
department.

Specifically, the resolution remonstrates
against the use of funds of the
department for the removal of the
house in which Mark Twain was born
from Florida, Mo., to Mark Twain
Memorial Park at Hannibal.

The organization indorsed a move-
ment now under way in Cape Girardeau
County, whereby a game sanctuary
and public shooting ground, which
is to be established in this district,
would be located in Cape Girardeau
County.

William End was elected president
of the association. Emmanuel Hoff-
stetter was chosen vice president, and
John Boxdorfer, secretary-treasurer.
These men hold similar positions in
the local chapter of the Izaak Walton
League.

The Perry County Fish and Game
Protective Association was organized
last spring, when it became apparent
that large numbers of fish, which had
followed the Mississippi flood waters
into the lowlands north of here, would
perish unless an organized effort was
made to rescue them.

During the period of the recession
of the flood, many thousands of small
fish were conveyed by members of the
organization to ponds and streams of
the county. Later a chapter of the
Izaak Walton League was organized
here, and, although nearly all members
of the original organization took
out membership in the new organization,
it was voted to continue the local
organization. The two organizations,
offered by the same men, function
as a single body.

Send your cleaning to Pitman's
Tailor Shop. Phone 745.

America's new diplomatic slogan:
"Cay it with flyers"—New York
Sun.

There is a girl in this neighborhood
who is so vivacious that she always
reminds us of a picture cabled from
London.—Ohio State Journal.

Charles T. Gardner, who has been
making a holiday visit to his father,
T. W. Gardner, has returned to Chillicothe
to continue his studies in the
Chillicothe Business College.

Politics is said to make strange bed-
fellows, and it also makes a lot of
them, to judge by the extent to which
the electorate is going to sleep.—Vir-
ginian-Pilot.

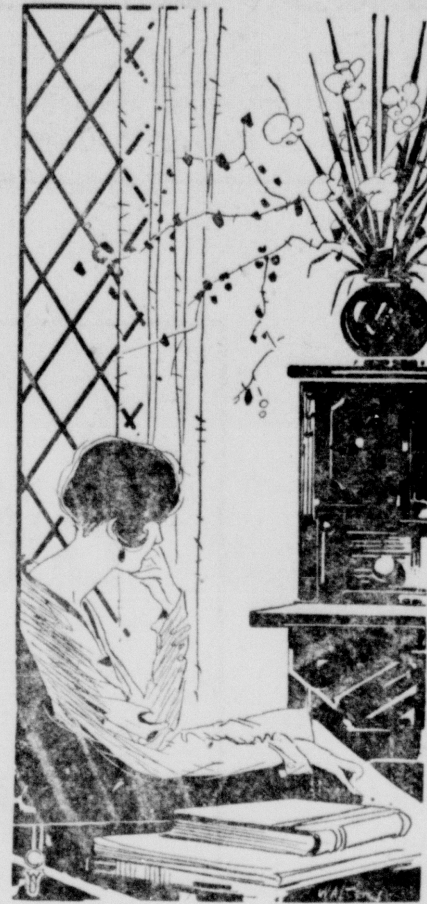
The modern kitchen equipment
makes cooking a simple and easy busi-
ness for the woman who happens to be
an expert machinist.—Chatham
(Ont.) News.

Come to think of it, the interven-
tionists have a real grievance against
Col. Lindbergh. Can't they sue him
or something?—Philadelphia Evening
Public Ledger.

The Delphian Society met with
Mrs. J. A. Hess Monday afternoon.
The next meeting will be with Miss
Myra Tanner on Monday afternoon,
January 23.

Manuel Quezon during his Detroit
visit indicated that the Filipinos harbor
some resentment against this
country in spite of all the nice prom-
ises that our last five or six Presi-
dents have made them.—Detroit
News.

There were 232 murders in eight
months in Mayor Thompson's metro-
polis, including, we presume, that of
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brilliant children generally spring
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listening to proud parents we ourselves
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Mrs. Tom Allen entertained with
two tables of bridge, Thursday after-
noon.

We are sorry to report that the
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Mrs. Ruskin Cook returned to St.
Louis Wednesday, after a few days
visit in Sikeston.

The Junior Missionary Society of
the Methodist church met with Mrs.
Lyle Malone Monday afternoon.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs.
J. M. Pitman will be glad to hear that
they are again residents of Sikeston.

Mrs. Tom Allen and little daughter
returned from Columbia Sunday, after
a pleasant visit with her parents.

The Woman's Club will hold their
next regular meeting at the home of
Mrs. C. E. Brenton Tuesday afternoon
at 2:30.

Mrs. J. L. Matthews, Mrs. C. A.
Cook and Mrs. Calvin Greer attended
the funeral of John C. Russell at
Charleston, Monday afternoon.

Hamilton—A. and P. Grocery chain
stores to open new store here.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Whereas, by their certain Deed of
Trust, dated the 15th day of March,
1926, recorded in Book 53 at page 453
of the Deed Records in the office of
the Recorder of Deeds of Scott County,
Missouri, Ben M. Swank and Ma-
hala M. Swank, his wife, conveyed to
the undersigned Trustee the follow-
ing described real estate, being, lying,
and situate in the County of Scott and
State of Missouri, to-wit:

The Southwest quarter of the
Southeast quarter of Section One
(1); The Northwest quarter of the
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and the Northeast quarter of the
Southeast quarter of Section
Twelve, (12), all in Township
Twenty-Seven (27), North of



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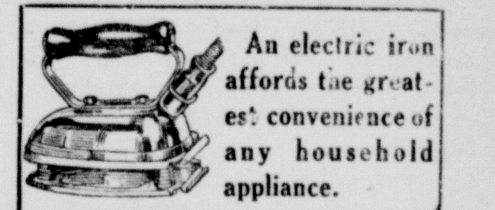
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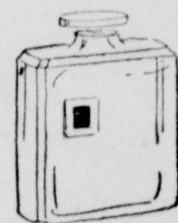
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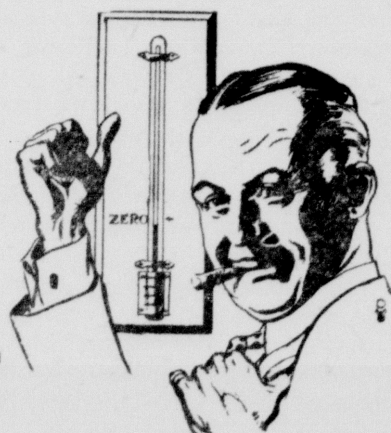
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BAKER BEGINS ON NEW SOLUTION OF ROAD BOND ROW

Jefferson City, January 10.—A new effort to affect a compromise between the State Highway Commission and the Automobile Club of Missouri over the amount and details of the new State road bond issue to be submitted to the voters next November, was undertaken today at the instance of Gov. Baker and with the co-operation of the commission and the club.

The controversy is to be taken from these two bodies and lodged with a special committee of six being chosen by the Governor and to be headed by him. It will meet at the Governor's office as soon as possible and draft a bond proposal, which the commission and club will be asked to support.

The Highway Commission late this afternoon after making public a formal resolution approving the plan outlined by the Governor, to which the commission previously had agreed in a conference with the Governor early today. The commission gave assurance it would support the plan adopted by the new committee.

Baker's action brought a halt, for the present at least to nearly four weeks of disagreement over the proposed additional State road bond issue and reopened the way to a compromise when negotiations apparently had reached a deadlock.

Details of the Governor's conference with the commissioners this morning were not disclosed, but it is known that the Governor informed the commission in no uncertain terms that he wanted it to get together on a bond proposal that all factions could support.

The commission had planned to proceed at once with its \$60,000,000 proposal after failure of negotiations with the Automobile Club, but the \$60,000,000 plan went into the discard with the Governor's action. The commission once more is in line for a compromise.

Gov. Baker said he would not announce the appointment of the new committee for a day or two. Baker will be chairman and C. D. Matthews, chairman of the commission, will represent that body, John Malang, director of the Good Roads Bureau of the Automobile Club, probably will represent the club, as his selection was suggested to Baker by Roy A. Britton, president of the club. The other three members will be chosen by Baker from different sections of the State.

Adoption of this plan in effect will wipe out all of the negotiations so far and the new committee will start a new, with the benefit, however, of all of the data that has been worked out in support of the opposing plans of the commission and Automobile Club.

A conference of good roads supporters called for today by Probate Judge Sam D. Hodgson of Clayton, president of the Ozark Trails Association, to urge steps toward a compromise was held in the Senate chamber, but its purpose had been accomplished before the conference began, thru the executive session in the Governor's office.

A brief meeting was held by the representatives of county courts, chambers of commerce and others, and a resolution was adopted urging a \$90,000,000 bond issue, of which \$30,000,000 was to be set aside for farm to market roads. Approval also was given to the Governor's plan for a new compromise committee.

Several speakers in the conference

urged adoption of the original \$120,000,000 proposal of the Automobile Club, but indicated their willingness to support a smaller amount if it would complete the present system and provide farm to market roads.

Members of the commission, in a conference with Gov. Baker this morning, agreed to his compromise plan and bound themselves to abide by the committee's findings. Later, the commission officially voted in ratification of this.

Thereupon the Governor telephoned to Roy F. Britton, president of the Automobile Club, in St. Louis. Britton told him that he could not bind the club because its board of governors last week had fixed minimum requirements for any bond proposal they would support, but that the club would be glad to be represented on the committee and hoped in this way to obtain an acceptable arrangement.

Britton explained that if the committee proposal did not meet the minimum requirements laid down by the club governors the club would not accept the compromise, unless the governors changed their stand.

After the failure last Thursday of an effort at compromise between the club and the commission, at a meeting in St. Louis, the commission announced it would cause to be submitted a \$60,000,000 bond proposal, without prohibition of any possible future increase of the gasoline tax and motor license fees.

The club originally advocated a \$120,000,000 issue and permanent prohibition of such increases. Last Thursday its governors set these minimum requirements: A \$60,000,000 issue, plus authority for an additional \$40,000,000 for farm-to-market roads if revenue justified, and prohibition of tax and fee increases for a reasonable period, preferably fifteen years; also agreement to spend \$12,000,000 of the money widening highway into St. Louis and Kansas City.

Gov. Baker has talked with Chairman Matthews about a 10-year limitation against tax and fee increases. The commission last Thursday offered to agree to a six-year limitation and a maximum issue of \$75,000,000. The commission and club also have had a lesser difference over the method of distributing farm-to-market road money among the counties.

Since both the commission and the club have yielded on some points, it has been the Governor's feeling that both could be induced to make further concessions in order to reach an agreement and assure unified support for the bond proposal. The club had decided to let the commission go it alone on the \$60,000,000 proposition.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to the many loving friends who assisted us so much during the sickness and death of our little daughter, also to the ones who sent the beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Terry.

Kansas City—Rubber Products, Inc., to operate plant in building at Montgomery and Nicholson Avenues.

Miss Beatrice Moore of Tupelo, Miss., and Curtis Bryant of this city, were married by the Methodist pastor at the home of G. W. Moore, Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. They will make their home in Osceola, Ark., where Mr. Bryant is manager of a store.

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THE BATTLE OF NEW ORLEANS AS SEEN AND DESCRIBED BY GENERAL JACKSON

Gen. Andrew Jackson, hero of the Battle of New Orleans in the War of 1812, gave the following description of that great American victory in a letter to James Monroe, subsequently President of the United States, says the National Republic:

"The battle commenced at a very little before 7 a. m., January 8, 1815, and as far as the infantry was concerned it was over by 9 a. m. My force was very much mixed. I had portions of the 7th and 44th regular infantry regiments, Kentucky and Tennessee riflemen, creoles, United States marines and sailors, Baratarian men—one of them, Capt. Dominique You, commanded part of my artillery (and a famous gunner he was), and two battalions of free negroes. I had in the action about 6000 men. The British strength was almost the same as mine, but vastly superior in drill and discipline. Of their force my riflemen killed and wounded 2117 in less than an hour, including two general officers (both died on the field, each a division commander), seven full colonels, with seventy-five line and staff officers. I lost six killed and seven wounded.

"As to tactics, there were very little in use on either side. We had some works of earth fronting the river, but the Kentucky and Tennessee riflemen, who sustained the main attack, had protected themselves by a work about two and a half feet high, made of logs placed two feet apart, and the space between filled in with earth. This work began at the Mississippi River, and ended in the swamp, being at a right angle with the river.

"Thinking this the weakest portion of our line, and seeing uninformed men behind the trifling defenses, General Pakenham thought it the best

thing to begin his attack by carrying this part of my line with the bayonet. On the third of January I had ordered that each rifleman's powder horn be filled, and enough lead for 100 bullets be issued, besides good material for bullet patching. Coffee reported to me on the 7th that this order had been obeyed, and every man had cleaned up his rifle and put a new flint into the hammer; so we were as ready as could be for the attack.

"There was a very heavy fog on the river that morning, and the British had formed and were moving before I knew it. The disposition of the rifleman was very simple. They were told off in numbers one and two. Number one was to fire first, then step back, let number two fire while he reloaded. About 600 yards from the rifleman there was a great drainage canal running back from the Mississippi River to the swamp in the rear of the tilled land on which we were operating. Along this canal the British formed, under the fire of the few artillery pieces I had near enough to them to get their range. But the instant I saw them I said to Coffee, whom I directed to hurry to his line, which was to be first attacked: 'By—, we have got them; they are ours!' Coffee dashed forward, and riding along his line, called out, 'Don't shoot until you can see their belt buckles!' The British were formed in mass, well closed up, and about two companies front.

"The British, thus formed, moved on at a quick step, without firing a shot, to within 100 yards of the kneeling rifleman, who were holding their fire till they could see the belt buckles of their enemies. The British advance was executed as though they had been on parade. They marched

shoulder to shoulder, with the step of veterans, as they were. At 100 yards distance from our line the order was given, 'Extend column front.' 'Double quick, march! Charge!' With bayonets at the charge, they came on us at a run.

"I own it was an anxious moment; I well knew that the charging column was made up of the picked troops of the British army. They had been trained by the duke (Wellington), himself, were commanded by his brother-in-law, and had successfully held off the ablest of Napoleon's marshals in the Spanish campaign. My rifleman had never seen such an attack, nor had they ever before fought white men. The morning, too, was damp their powder might not burn well. 'God help us!' I muttered, watching the rapidly advancing line. Seventy, sixty, fifty, finally forty yards, were they from the silent kneeling rifleman. All of my men I could see were their long rifles rested on the logs before them. They obeyed their orders well, not a shot was fired until the redcoats were within forty yards. I heard Coffee's voice as he roared out, 'Now, men, aim for the center of the cross-belts! Fire!' A second after the order a crackling, blazing flash rang all along our line. The smoke hung so heavily in the misty morning air that I could not see what happened. I called Tom Overtton and Abner Duncan off my staff, and we galloped toward Coffee's line. In a few seconds after the first fire there came another volley. As I came within 150 yards of Coffee, the smoke lifted enough for me to make out what was happening.

"The British were falling back in a confused, disorderly mass, and the entire first ranks of their column were blown away. For 200 yards in our front the ground was covered with a mass of writhing wounded, dead and dying redcoats. By the time the rifles were wiped the British line was reformed, and on it came again. This

time they were led by General Pakenham in person, gallantly mounted, and riding as though he was on parade. Just before he got within range of Coffee's line I heard a single rifle shot from a group of country carts distant, and a moment thereafter I saw Pakenham reel and pitch out of his saddle. I have always believed he fell from the bullet of a free man of color, who was a famous rifle shot and came from the Arkansas region of Louisiana. The second advance was precisely like the first in its ending. In five volleys the 1500 or more riflemen killed and wounded 2117 British soldiers, two-thirds of them killed, dead or mortally wounded. I did not know where General Pakenham was lying, or I should have sent to him, or gone in person, to offer any service in my power to render.

"I was told he lived two hours after he was hit. General Keene, I hear, was killed dead. They sent a flag to me asking leave to gather up their wounded and bury their dead, which, of course, I granted. I was told by a wounded officer that the rank and file absolutely refused to make a third charge. 'We have no chance with such shooting as these Americans do,' they said."—K. C. Star.

FLOYD RICHARD FERGUSON DIED LAST WEEK

Floyd Richard Ferguson died at his home near Noxall last Friday. He was born November 11, 1897, died on January 6, 1928, age 30 years, one month and 25 days. After a brief illness of about 60 days, having made a manifestation of being "Prepared to meet his Saviour in peace".

Mr. Ferguson leaves a loving wife and two small children, his parents, one brother and three sisters, Mrs. Alice Chapman of Mt. Erie, Ill., Mrs. Nettie Spitzer of Shattue, Ill., and Mrs. Flora Shires, wife of the Rev. Shires, who is known by many people through this section of the country.

The mother, brother and sisters and a brother law of Mr. Ferguson, who all live at Gideon and M. G. Jno. Pyland were all present at the funeral.

Interment was made at the Matthews cemetery, services being conducted at the home by Rev. R. E. Carpenter, pastor of the Methodist church of Matthews, at 10 o'clock Saturday.

Mr. Ferguson was born and reared in Missouri. He was a good man and always made friends wherever he lived. It was not only the relatives that feel the loss of a long-time friend and neighbor and citizen. But while we must give the mup in our loss of those we love is Heaven's gain.

J. KELLY WRIGHT WANTS TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

Columbia, January 9.—J. Kelly Wright of Columbia, a former lecturer for the State Board of Agriculture, announced today that he is considering becoming a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor. Wright is now field secretary for Christian College, a women's junior college here.

He said today he had traveled 300,000 miles in Missouri in his eleven years of service with the Board of Agriculture. He is a graduate of the Missouri College of Agriculture.

Thomas Julian and wife of Gray Ridge were here during the week to visit the family of their son, John J. Julian. Mr. Julian and his wife celebrated their 52d anniversary Monday of this week. Both are hale and hearty and give promise to live to celebrate many more anniversaries.

EPOCHAL WAR FILM SHOWN HERE SOON

"The World War", a motion picture utilizing a great portion of the world as a set, with entire nations playing minor parts and with eleven-twelfths of the world's population in the cast, will have its appearance at the Malone Theatre next Wednesday.

This unusual picture, which is being shown in this city under the auspices of Henry Meldrum Post of the American Legion, has been described as "at once the most thrilling and authentic history of the World War that has ever been told in pictures".

The story of this picture's creation, the lives lost in "shooting" its scenes, the months of delving into the archives of the governments of the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy, Russia and Germany to obtain official data and pictures, the years devoted to its careful preparation, and the official seals of the United States Navy and Army Departments stamped on the film (the first time in the history of motion pictures that those great seals have appeared on films), all these unusual elements in this picture's preparation make it what it is—"the first big historical motion picture of the World War".

In action covers the greatest drama in the history of the world over a period of four years. Therein lies the remarkable feature of this unusual picture; it has successfully brought to the screen in comprehensive and graphic form, the most gigantic war in the history of the world. This has been done by careful compilation of scenes that are revealing, impressive and authentic.

War in all its phases is seen in this film. There are no picked scenes. The lumbering tanks, the murderous machine guns sweeping No-Man's Land, the poisonous gas, the smoke screens, the depth bombs, sinking of ships by submarines, the flare of star-shells, the recoil of gigantic guns gouging the earth in angry protest, the wire entanglements, the falling planes, the falling men—all the elements of war are seen in this great picture.

"The title of the picture, 'The World War', is no misnomer", one critic said. "It is just that. When you have seen it you will know".

AFTER-MATH

Minnie Sayers Smith
We are removing the Christmas tree, And placing it to one side. There'll be no height of festivity, Night and day our joy and pride. Eroneous idea, thinking All else swept away, which it brings, While Christmas candles are blinking, Springs new hope, 'tis then the heart sings.

So we find, all along life's pathway Some pleasures mingle life's span, Clearing the gloom of a lonely day, Assisting in some great plan. Let's pick up the threads and the tatters, Grasp firmly our courage anew, REMEMBERING, nothing else matters, But, the thing which we think, say and do.

So then in the scramble and effort, To keep right what we think and we say, Let's not withhold an ounce of support, But boost the right thing, the right way.

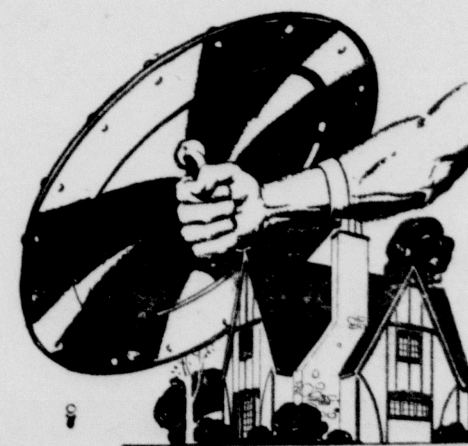
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STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF SCOTT

Be it remembered that in the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri, on Monday, November 21st, 1927, this being the 6th day of the regular November term, 1927, of said court, the following among other proceedings were had, to-wit:

Civil Record, Circuit Court, Scott County, Missouri, November 21st, 1927, 6th day of November, 1927 term. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector, Plaintiff,

VS.
John Little, Leah Little, John J. Hunter, T. J. Stanley, Rutha Jane Stanley, E. A. Dye, Trustee, Martin V. Harris, L. C. Leslie, Trustee, T. L. Anderson, Farmers & Merchants Bank of Kelso, Missouri, a corp., by S. L. Cantley, Finance Commissioner of the State of Missouri, and First National Bank of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Defendants.

No. 3627

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court that heretofore and on the 24th day of October, 1927, plaintiff filed his petition herein and that on the 24th day of October, 1927, summons were issued herein to the defendants John Little, Leah Little, John J. Hunter, T. J. Stanley, Rutha Jane Stanley, E. A. Dye, Trustee, Martin V. Harris, L. C. Leslie, Trustee, T. L. Anderson, Farmers & Merchants Bank of Kelso, Missouri, a Corp., by S. L. Cantley, Finance Commissioner of the State of Missouri and First National Bank of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and was delivered to the Sheriff of Scott County, Cape Girardeau County and Cole County, returnable to this term of this Court and it appearing to the court that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this term the sheriff made return of said summons; that the defendants T. J. Stanley, Rutha Jane Stanley and Martin V. Harris cannot be found; and the court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on the said defendants, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that the defendants be notified by publication that the plaintiff has commenced an action against them, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of State and County Taxes for the years 1922, 1923 and 1924 against the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lots Numbered Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12) in Block Number Fifteen (15) of the Town of Morley, Scott County, Missouri.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered by the court that a copy hereof be published in The Sikeston Standard, a weekly newspaper printed and published in the town of Sikeston, in the County of Scott, and State of Missouri, at least once a week for four successive weeks, the last publication to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the March, 1928, term of this court.

State of Missouri
County of Scott
I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the record.
(Seal)
T. F. HENRY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri.

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M. E. Todd, if living, Nora Todd, O. L. Spencer, Trustee, R. L. Buck and the unknown heirs, consorts, devisees, donees, aliens or immediate, mesne, remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of Martin E. Todd, if dead, Defendants.

No. 3587

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court that heretofore and on the 13th day of October, 1927, plaintiff filed his petition herein and that on the 13th day of October, 1927, a summons was issued herein to the defendants M. E. Todd, if living, Nora Todd, O. L. Spencer, Trustee, R. L. Buck and the unknown heirs, consorts, devisees, donees, aliens or immediate, mesne, remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of Martin E. Todd, if dead, and was delivered to the Sheriff of Scott County, returnable to this term of this Court and it appearing to the court that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this court, the sheriff made return of said summons; that the defendants M. E. Todd, if living, Nora Todd, O. L. Spencer, Trustee, R. L. Buck and the unknown heirs, consorts, devisees, donees, aliens or immediate, mesne, remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of Martin E. Todd, if dead, cannot be found; and the court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on the said defendants, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that the defendants be notified by publication that the plaintiff has commenced an action against them, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of State and County Taxes for the years 1922, 1923 and 1924 against the following described real estate, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and 2.00 acres in the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter of the South-

east Quarter of said Section, thence West on the North line of said quarter quarter Section 4.472 chains to a point, thence South 4.472 chains to a point, thence East 4.472 chains to East line of said quarter quarter section, thence North 4.472 chains on said line, to point of beginning.

All of the above being in Section Number Twenty-eight (28), Township Number Twenty-eight (28), North, of Range Number Thirteen (13) East of the Fifth (5th) Principal Meridian.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered by the court that a copy hereof be published in The Sikeston Standard, a weekly newspaper printed and published in the City of Sikeston, in the County of Scott, and State of Missouri, at least once a week for four successive weeks, the last publication to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the March, 1928, term of this court.

State of Missouri
County of Scott
I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the record.
(Seal)
T. F. HENRY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri.

1923, 1924 and 1925 against the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lots Numbered Nine (9), Ten (10) and Eleven (11) in Block Number Eight (8) of Dohogne's Second (2nd) Addition to Edna, now Fornfelt, Scott County Missouri.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

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T. F. HENRY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF SCOTT

Be it remembered that in the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri, on Monday, November 21st, 1927, this being the 6th day of the regular November term, 1927, of said court, the following among other proceedings were had, to-wit:

Civil Record, Circuit Court, Scott County, Missouri, November 21st, 1927, 6th day of November, 1927 term. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector, Plaintiff,

VS.
Katie Engle, Defendant

No. 3614

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court that heretofore and on the 15th day of October, 1927, plaintiff filed his petition herein and that on the 15th day of October, 1927, a summons was issued herein to the defendant Katie Engle, and was delivered to the Sheriff of Scott County, returnable to this term of this Court and it appearing to the court that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this court, the sheriff made return of said summons; that the defendant Katie Engle cannot be found; and the court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on the said defendant, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that the defendant be notified by publication that the plaintiff has commenced an action against her, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of State and County taxes for the years 1922, 1923 and 1924 against the following described real property to-wit:

Lot Number Two (2) in Block Number Eight (8) of the Original town (now city) of Chaffee, Scott County, Missouri.

And that unless the defendant be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered by the court that a copy hereof be published in The Sikeston Standard, a weekly newspaper printed and published in the City of Sikeston, in the County of Scott, and State of Missouri, at least once a week for four successive weeks, the last publication to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the March, 1928, term of this court.

State of Missouri
County of Scott
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Clerk of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF SCOTT

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Civil Record, Circuit Court, Scott County, Missouri, November 21st, 1927, 6th day of November, 1927 term. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector, Plaintiff,

VS.
Samuel W. Walker & Mrs. Samuel W. Walker, Defendants.

No. 3595

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court that heretofore and on the 13th day of October, 1927, plaintiff filed his petition herein and that on the 13th day of October, 1927, a summons was issued herein to the defendants Samuel W. Walker and Mrs. Samuel W. Walker, and was delivered to the Sheriff of Scott County, returnable to this term of this Court and it appearing to the court that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this court, the sheriff made return of said summons; that the defendants Samuel W. Walker and Mrs. Samuel W. Walker cannot be found; and the court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on the said defendants, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that the defendants be notified by publication that the plaintiff has commenced an action against them, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of State and County Taxes for the years 1922, 1923 and 1924 against the following described real estate, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and 2.00 acres in the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter of the South-

east Quarter of said Section, thence West on the North line of said quarter quarter Section 4.472 chains to a point, thence South 4.472 chains to a point, thence East 4.472 chains to East line of said quarter quarter section, thence North 4.472 chains on said line, to point of beginning.

All of the above being in Section Number Twenty-eight (28), Township Number Twenty-eight (28), North, of Range Number Thirteen (13) East of the Fifth (5th) Principal Meridian.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered by the court that a copy hereof be published in The Sikeston Standard, a weekly newspaper printed and published in the City of Sikeston, in the County of Scott, and State of Missouri, at least once a week for four successive weeks, the last publication to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the March, 1928, term of this court.

1923, 1924 and 1925 against the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lots Numbered Nine (9), Ten (10) and Eleven (11) in Block Number Eight (8) of Dohogne's Second (2nd) Addition to Edna, now Fornfelt, Scott County Missouri.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

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State of Missouri
County of Scott
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(Seal)
T. F. HENRY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF SCOTT

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Civil Record, Circuit Court, Scott County, Missouri, November 21st, 1927, 6th day of November, 1927 term. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector, Plaintiff,

VS.
H. S. Hulen, Ed. L. Miller, W. R. Vowells, Flora Vowells, Jas. McPheeters, Trustee, Rice-Stix Dry Goods Company, a corporation, Defendants.

No. 3617

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court that heretofore and on the 15th day of October, 1927, plaintiff filed his petition herein and that on the 15th day of October, 1927, a summons was issued herein to the defendants H. S. Hulen, Ed. L. Miller, W. R. Vowells, Flora Vowells, Jas. McPheeters, Trustee, Rice-Stix Dry Goods Company, a corporation, and was delivered to the Sheriff of Scott County, returnable to this term of this Court and it appearing to the court that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this court, the sheriff made return of said summons; that the defendants H. S. Hulen, Ed. L. Miller, W. R. Vowells and Flora Vowells cannot be found; and the court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on the said defendants, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that the defendants be notified by publication that the plaintiff has commenced an action against them, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of State and County taxes for the years 1922, 1923 and 1924 against the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lots Numbered One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Four (4), Seven (7), Eight (8), Nine (9) and Ten (10) in Block Number Two (2) of Joyce's First (1st) Addition to the town of Vanduser, Scott County, Missouri.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered by the court that a copy hereof be published in The Sikeston Standard, a weekly newspaper printed and published in the City of Sikeston, in the County of Scott, and State of Missouri, at least once a week for four successive weeks, the last publication to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the March, 1928, term of this court.

State of Missouri
County of Scott
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(Seal)
T. F. HENRY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF SCOTT

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Civil Record, Circuit Court, Scott County, Missouri, November 21st, 1927, 6th day of November, 1927 term. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector, Plaintiff,

VS.
John Little, Leah J. Little, L. C. Leslie, Trustee, T. L. Anderson, Farmers & Merchants Bank of Kelso, Missouri, a Corp., by S. L. Cantley, Finance Commissioner of the State of Missouri, and First National Bank of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Defendants.

No. 3626

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court that heretofore and on the 24th day of October, 1927, plaintiff filed his petition herein and that on the 24th day of October, 1927, a summons was issued herein to the defendants John Little, Leah J. Little, L. C. Leslie, Trustee, T. L. Anderson, Farmers & Merchants Bank of Kelso, Missouri, a Corp., by S. L. Cantley, Finance Commissioner of the State of Missouri, and First National Bank of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Defendants.

The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and 2.00 acres in the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter of the South-

east Quarter of said Section, thence West on the North line of said quarter quarter Section 4.472 chains to a point, thence South 4.472 chains to a point, thence East 4.472 chains to East line of said quarter quarter section, thence North 4.472 chains on said line, to point of beginning.

All of the above being in Section Number Twenty-eight (28), Township Number Twenty-eight (28), North, of Range Number Thirteen (13) East of the Fifth (5th) Principal Meridian.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered by the court that a copy hereof be published in The Sikeston Standard, a weekly newspaper printed and published in the City of Sikeston, in the County of Scott, and State of Missouri, at least once a week for four successive weeks, the last publication to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the March, 1928, term of this court.

of Scott County returnable to this term of this court; and it appearing to the court that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this court, the sheriff made return of said summons; that the defendant Wm. LeGrand cannot be found; and the court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on the said defendant, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that the defendant be notified by publication that the plaintiff has commenced an action against him, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of State and County Taxes for the years 1922, 1923 and 1924 against the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lots Number Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12) in Block Number Twenty-Five (25) of the Original Town of Morley, Scott County, Missouri.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

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State of Missouri
County of Scott
I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the record.
(Seal)
T. F. HENRY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF SCOTT

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VS.
B. Haven Sney, Defendant

No. 3585

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court that heretofore and on the 13th day of October, 1927, plaintiff filed his petition herein and that on the 13th day of October, 1927, a summons was issued herein to the defendant B. Haven Sney, and was delivered to the Sheriff of Scott County, returnable to this term of this Court and it appearing to the court that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this court, the sheriff made return of said summons; that the defendant B. Haven Sney cannot be found; and the court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on the said defendant, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that the defendant be notified by publication that the plaintiff has commenced an action against him, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of State and County taxes for the years 1922, 1923 and 1924 against the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lots Numbered One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Four (4) in Block Number Four (4) of Parkland Addition to the City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri.

And that unless the defendant be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

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State of Missouri
County of Scott
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STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF SCOTT

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VS.
John Little, Leah J. Little, L. C. Leslie, Trustee, T. L. Anderson, Farmers & Merchants Bank of Kelso, Missouri, a Corp., by S. L. Cantley, Finance Commissioner of the State of Missouri, and First National Bank of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Defendants.

No. 3626

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court that heretofore and on the 24th day of October, 1927, plaintiff filed his petition herein and that on the 24th day of October, 1927, a summons was issued herein to the defendants John Little, Leah J. Little, L. C. Leslie, Trustee, T. L. Anderson, Farmers & Merchants Bank of Kelso, Missouri, a Corp., by S. L. Cantley, Finance Commissioner of the State of Missouri, and First National Bank of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Defendants.

The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and 2.00 acres in the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter of the South-

east Quarter of said Section, thence West on the North line of said quarter quarter Section 4.472 chains to a point, thence South 4.472 chains to a point, thence East 4.472 chains to East line of said quarter quarter section, thence North 4.472 chains on said line, to point of beginning.

All of the above being in Section Number Twenty-eight (28), Township Number Twenty-eight (28), North, of Range Number Thirteen (13) East of the Fifth (5th) Principal Meridian.

And that unless the defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be begun and holden at the Court House in the town of Benton, Missouri, in said county, on the 12th day of March, 1928, and answer or plead to the petition in said cause, on or before the first day of the said term, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

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All of the above described real estate is in township 27, north range 13 east, Scott County, Missouri.

And the following real estate: In Township 26, North Range 13 East, Scott County, Missouri: All of fractional section 2; All of section 3; All of section 4; The east three-fourths of section 5; The east three-fourths of section 8; All of section 9; All of section 10; The west three-fourths of fractional section 11; All of section 14, except 40 acres being the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of said section 14; All of section 15; All of section 16; The east three-fourths of section 17; The east three-fourths of section 20; All of section 21; All of section 22; All of section 23; The west half of the west half of fractional section 25; All of section 26; All of section 27; All of section 28; The east three-fourths of section 29; Included in the lands above described are railroad and public road, rights-of-way of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company and the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company and the State of Missouri and the County of Scott and the Sikeston Special Road District.

That there has been filed in this office a petition for the organization of a Drainage District under the provisions of Article 4, of Chapter 28, of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, for 1919, and the amendments thereto, that the duly appointed viewers and engineer have made and filed their preliminary report in this office and that the lands and other property as above described will be effected by the formation of the proposed Drainage District and be rendered liable to taxation for the purpose of paying the expense of organizing and incorporating the District and making and maintaining the improvements that may be necessary to drain, protect and reclaim the lands and other property therein, and you and each of you are hereby notified that you may examine the said petition and report and file exceptions to all or any part thereof, as provided by law.

J. SHERWOOD SMITH,
Clerk of the County Court of Scott County, Missouri.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, W. T. Stubblefield, Adm. of the estate of J. N. Grant, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator, at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said County, on the 6th day of February, A. D., 1928.

W. T. STUBBLEFIELD,
Administrator of Estate of J. N. Grant, deceased.

Notice of Administration

Notice is hereby given, That Letters of Administration on the estate of William Y. Hitt, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 14th day of December, 1927, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

MRS. E. A. LAWRENCE,
Administratrix.
WITNESS my hand and seal of the Probate Court of Scott County.
(Seal)

THOS. B. DUDLEY,
Probate Judge.

LINEN WHOLESALERS AND IMPORTERS TO ADOPT STANDARD MARKINGS

Unanimous approval of the National Better Business Bureau's recommendation that all linens be marked according to actual size, was given by thirty-six linen wholesalers and importers who met under the auspices of the National Bureau at the Merchants Association of New York, 233 Broadway, on December 21, 1927.

The Green Cloak

By
YORKE DAVIS

WNW Service.
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"I suppose some people would call that a coincidence."

"Some connection, you mean, between the woman Will Harvey testified he saw and the one we saw lying there in the hospital?"

"Morgan lived in New Zealand, didn't he? And Ashton says he had maps, vast numbers of maps of the southern Pacific—large scale maps of the groups of islands that are scattered all through it. It's fair to suppose, then, that he had some reason for interest in those far-off South Sea Islands."

"The girl?" I exclaimed. "The girl in the hospital!—Did you mean that she comes from that part of the world? From one of those islands in the South seas?"

"The mark on her arm is enough to prove that," he answered.

He paused there, but I knew that was not all.

"That queer mumbled song of hers?" I hazarded.

He took another turn across the room before he answered that question. "Yes, I understood it," he said at last. "That song, as you call it, was an old Maori death chant."

Doctor McAllister had resumed his thoughtful patrol of the room. "Of course," he said half under his breath, "it may be a coincidence, just that and nothing more."

"No," said I. "No, I can't believe that. There must be some stronger connection than mere chance, between the murdered body of that man in the house out at Oak Ridge and the death chant of that girl at whose bedside we stood tonight. It must be more than chance."

But my chief turned upon me sharply. "Don't make the mistake of thinking that," he said. "There is no greater source of error in the world than the belief that unlikely things can't happen. They happen every day, coincidences, against which the chances are a thousand to one. Still, he paused in his stride and plowed his hands through his thick gray hair—

"still, to put it conservatively, it's vastly more likely than not that there is a connection; that this girl has some place in that unknown past of his, which he thought he had sponged out so completely."

"Well," said I, "if she was any place at all, isn't it altogether likely that she is the person who committed the murder? And if that's so—well, what are we going to do about it? Tell Ashton?"

He wheeled round at that and smote a near-by door panel with his great fist. "No, by thunder, no! Not that. Not, at least, until we've solved this mystery for ourselves; until we are sure we understand it. And I mean by that," he went on, looking at me fixedly, "I mean a good deal more than merely proving she was the woman whom Will Harvey swore he saw in silhouette upon the shade; until we've proved more than that it was her hands that pulled that catgut string around the old man's neck."

"What more than that," I asked unsteadily, "can you hope to prove, or want to prove?"

"This," he said, stopping before me and looking straight into my face; "this. That it was her will which directed the hands, and not her soul that was responsible for the crime."

"You mean," I gasped with sudden half-perception of his meaning, "that there may be another will concerned in the business?"

"Exactly that," he answered. "I mean that judging from that girl's condition tonight, it may very well be

the young man who is setting three seats behind you, on the other side of the aisle, is the witness of whom he told us yesterday. I felt tolerably sure of it when my eye first lighted on him. He's going to get off at Oak Ridge, and I think that settles it. One small town could hardly boast another like him."

"How do you know he's going to get off at Oak Ridge?" I asked.

"He straightened up a little in his seat and began to readjust his necktie when the brakeman called the name of the town."

When I had made a pretext for changing over and sitting with the doctor, I quite agreed with his identification. There, to the life, was the young man whom Ashton had described to us. I thought I could see traces upon him of the grilling to which Ashton must have subjected him this morning.

His eyes were sullen, his color unstable and his hands fidgety. I was half-inclined to think there might be something in the theory of Mallory, the detective, after all.

Evidently Doctor McAllister had no share in this idea, for he lost interest in the young man the moment he was satisfied his identification of him had been correct. When the train stopped at Oak Ridge and we followed William Harvey out of the car, the doctor did not cast a single glance after his retreating figure.

By rare good fortune we found an auto pulled up beside the station platform waiting for the train, a flapping, dilapidated, mud-stained, ramshackle affair, with a driver to match.

After a moment or two of canny bargaining on the doctor's part, we found ourselves jolting along over a frozen, rutty road toward our destination.

"There's the house," said the driver at last. "But you're pretty late for the funeral. If that's what you've come for, it must be about over by this time."

Neither of us had thought of the funeral, and the sight of a hearse and a single car, waiting there in the windswept road, gave us, with our errand, a rather disagreeable sense of incongruity. That feeling was heightened when, leaving our bags in the hall, we were shown by the undertaker into a large, dim front parlor.

Here we saw death in its most conventional form. A little group of people sitting in rows in little folding chairs, a minister reading the service, a quartette from the village choir ready to sing another hymn when he should have done.

When, at the end of the service, the customary opportunity was offered for a last look at the body which lay there in its black casket, my companion rose and, nodding to me to follow him, took his place in the little procession that was filing round the coffin.

I could not do it; that act, somehow, seemed to put the crowning touch upon our intrusion.

"Oh, I know how you felt about it," said my chief when the service was over, the people gone and we were left alone in the old house—alone, that is, with the addition of Mallory. "I'm glad I haven't to go through it again, though I'm glad I did, even at some violence to what they call our better instincts. I wouldn't have missed my look into that face for a good deal."

"You didn't recognize?" I cried. "He isn't anyone you knew, long ago, out there in New Zealand?"

"Not individually," said the doctor with a smile at my sudden excitement, at the sudden recession of those "better instincts" of mine. "Not individually, though that I might have been well within the possibilities. But he belongs to a type that I knew all too well. Did it ever occur to you to wonder why it is that full gray beards and spectacles are always regarded as infallible indications of benevolent respectability? But there's a scar beneath that gray beard that was not come by in any peaceful occupation; and even without it, the whole construction of the skull and jaw, the facial angle, the shape of the ears, all proclaim him a rough customer—the sort of man who might well have a past that he was vainly trying to escape from. No, upon the whole, I am glad that Ashton left us free to work out this problem without holding us responsible to him for our results."

Our conversation was interrupted there by the appearance of Mallory at the doctor's elbow. It was rather amusing to watch his face as he read the note from Ashton that the doctor

handed him. It was easy to see, from his suppressed smile of contemptuous amusement, that the district attorney had represented us as a couple of harmless cranks who might safely be permitted to amuse themselves upon the scene of crime as they chose.

"All right," he said, folding up the note and thrusting it into his pocket. "Make yourselves at home. Do you plan to spend the night here?"

"Two or three nights, perhaps," said the doctor. "We want to do a little looking about."

"Well," said Mallory, with jocular sarcasm, "if you find the secret of the old man's past, or meet up with that mysterious woman that one of the witnesses testified about at the inquest, why, let me know."

"You mean to spend the night here yourself, don't you?" I asked.

"Well, part of it, perhaps. I've got some looking about to do. But you needn't mind me. I've got a key and can let myself in at any time."

An hour later, after a bountiful but vily cooked meal at a little restaurant near the railway station, we returned to the house and began our investigation in earnest.

The first room, of course, to attract our attention was the room where the

murder took place, the study on the third floor. Across one end of the room ran a rude set of homemade shelves occupied, perhaps, by two or three hundred nondescript volumes. A very large, much littered desk stood in the middle of the larger part of the room, while in the alcove was a high deal table of the sort used by draughtsmen. A stool stood before it, and a swivel chair in front of the desk.

In one of the numerous corners of the room was an immense tamper, which seemed to have served the purpose of a waste-paper basket. The detectives had evidently examined the contents of it in their search for a clue to the murdered man's identity, but had not thought the contents worth preserving. There was a litter of small scraps about it, and that was all. A rusty oil stove completed the tale of the furniture.

And then there were his maps. They were curiously disposed for a man who made a habit of geography. They lay about the floor in great rolls. The one or two I looked at, after my preliminary glance about the apartment, were of recent date and bore the stamp of the British board of trade.

I was holding one of them out in my hands and poring over it, wondering



I Was Holding One of Them Out in My Hands and Poring Over It.

rather idly, what possible interest this group of tiny coral reefs could have had for a man who lived as Henry Morgan had lived, here in this village of Oak Ridge, when a sharp exclamation from Doctor McAllister drew my attention away from it.

He was standing close beside a big green-shaded lamp and bending over something which he had just taken from the top drawer of the desk. I shivered a little when I saw what it was, saw that it was a violin string.

The expression of the doctor's face, as he turned toward me, betrayed both indignation and excitement. "The prosecution of crime still goes on the basis that telling the truth is an easy thing to do; that a man does tell the truth, unless he means to lie. The man who came up here and found the body of Henry Morgan testified that he had been strangled by a noose. They thought it was true, because strangulation by a noose is the only kind they ever heard of. But look at this."

He held it out to me, and, my repugnance forgotten, I took it in hand. Instead of one knot, the string contained two, one near the end, the other about fifteen inches away. They were tied just alike, and were knots of the fixed-loop variety, very like a bowline.

"If there were only a knot at the end," said the doctor, "the rest of the string could have been drawn through it to form a noose; but, of course, with this second knot of equal size that becomes impossible. The man was strangled, not by a noose at all, but by a tourniquet—a little stick—a lead pencil perhaps—run through the two loops and twisted."

"Look here!" he cried the next moment, with rising excitement, "Here's the rest of the instrument."

He held out for my inspection a long straight-stemmed briar pipe, and I was able to see, just at the base of the bowl, a shiny, circular indentation. The ghastly clearness of the demonstration of the murderer's method sickened me a little, and I dropped the pipe rather quickly.

My chief was pacing up and down the room, talking to himself. "I never believed in that noose—not really believed in it."

"You are undoubtedly right about it," said I, "but is the discovery important? Does it make any real difference?"

"That depends on the point of view," said he. "To the late Henry Morgan, I suppose it made no difference at all. To an ethnologist, it makes all the difference in the world. The Caucasian uses the noose. With him it has been the instrument of execution, of murder and of suicide from time immemorial. But there are other races that never heard of it. The aborigines in my part of the world never did. With them it was always this."

He caught up the string as he spoke, and jerked it taut in both hands. "It's the instrument of ceremonial murder. They used to send widows out of the world this way, until the British government put a stop to that etiquette."

Then, and only then, did I realize the importance of the discovery. "And the girl at the hospital?" I questioned. "Would those two loops be familiar to her?"

He nodded gravely. "I'll tell you this," said he, "I'm glad I'm under no obligation to report to Ashton, until I'm ready."

Then he did a characteristic thing. He put the thing back in the drawer where he had found it, closed the drawer, straightened up, with a shrug of his broad shoulders, and said, in obviously good faith: "Come, let's be gin."

Rather to my surprise, the doctor made straight for the waste-paper basket, gazed a little at the "fools" who had emptied it, and patiently gathered together the few scraps that were left, some clinging in the interstices of the basket, some littered about the floor outside.

As I bent over to help him, he held out an irregular bit of thick white paper for my inspection. "He was a queer geographer, sure enough," was his comment. "He tore up his maps. This is part of one. There's a fact which might well have struck previous investigators as curious, but apparently did not. If he tore them up, it was because he was through with them. And if he could get through with them so that he could be sure he wouldn't want them any more, it was because they were meant to serve him some single, definite purpose. When they had so served it, or had failed to serve it, then he destroyed them to get them out of the way. That's logical, isn't it?"

"Absolutely, so far as I can see." Presently he carried another scrap over to the draughting table, scrutinized its bare surface rather minutely, and then offered this second morsel of paper for my inspection.

"Well, that's one thing he did with his maps. He planned them down on this table of his with thumb-tacks."

He pulled open a little drawer in the table, took out first some pencils, rulers and compasses, and finally a rectangular contrivance made of wooden rods, with flexible joints at the corners.

"Do you know what this is?" he asked. For a wonder I did, and he did not. That was a situation which arose but rarely.

"It's a pantograph," said I. "It's used for copying on an enlarged or reduced scale. You can set the scale to anything you like."

"That's what it means, then," said the doctor, turning away from the table, with a nod of satisfaction. "He spread his maps out here, and when they weren't on a large enough scale to suit him, he drew them up bigger, and then tore them up. No, that won't do. There's some intervening process. He needed those charts on a larger scale than he could get, and he enlarged them until they suited that unknown purpose of his. But of that purpose itself, we've found no trace. We may never find a trace, but if he's left a clue to it anywhere, I think we may hope to find it."

(Continued Tuesday)

The man with the dual personality never gets the worst one hurt in a traffic accident.—Arkansas Gazette.

The homes are said to be failing in their greatest duty, but at least they keep places open where the children can come home to sleep.—Newark (Ohio) Advocate.



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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Ed Parker was taken to the hospital in Cairo, Saturday in the Albritton ambulance of Sikeston. Mrs. Parker was suffering from blood poisoning. She gave birth to a son about one week ago and has been very ill since. It was thought by being moved to the hospital she may recover. On Tuesday Mrs. Parker passed away. At the time of this writing, funeral arrangements had not been arranged.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherry and sons, Raymond and Lynn, D. Parker and Ed Parker accompanied Mrs. Ed Parker to the Cairo hospital, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Horn returned to their home in Conran Tuesday, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Duckworth.

Miss Blanche Revelle spent Sunday with Miss Marie Binford.

Mrs. Mary Maxwell and little son, Richard, and nephew, Kenneth Roberts of San Antonio, Texas, are visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carruthers.

Mrs. Don Kochel of Canalou spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Geo. Elderbrooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Duckworth motored to Conran Wednesday to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Buckles and little daughter of Sikeston visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gill Brooks, Sunday.

Mrs. Milus R. Davis of Canalou spent Monday and Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carruthers.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and Mrs. G. D. Englehart were Sikeston visitors, on Monday.

Empson Brewer of Canalou was a Matthews visitor, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Young shopped in Sikeston, Monday.

NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Good sound planting seed of both corn and cotton will be scarcer this spring than has been the case in many years. Most of the farmers in New Madrid County will plant seed which they have grown during the past year, unfortunately, much of the seed of this past year will not be of high enough germination power to make it advisable for this. Considerable care should be exercised by the farmers in selecting their seed for the spring planting. It is unnecessary that they guess it to be good enough, but they can have the seed tested without any charge through the office of the County Extension Agent.

It is urged that all farmers who have saved their seed or have bought seed of which they do not know the germination bring a small sample a handful will be sufficient, to the County Extension Agent's office. It will require from two to three weeks to conduct a germinating test and the quicker samples are brought in, the quicker the test will be completed. To plant a poor seed means not only a loss of time, but a decreased yield of poor quality, which means also a loss of money. This can be avoided if the seeds are tested before planting time.

Permanent pasture is the most valuable crop on the farm according to Alfred Stepp a New Madrid County farmer this opinion has also been voiced by other prominent farmers, and is generally considered to be correct.

According to County Agent Scott M. Julian, every farmer should raise some live stock, but Mr. Julian states

that live stock cannot be raised profitably without proper pastures. There seems to be a growing tendency among farmers in the county to increase their live stock holdings; this is unquestionably a very fine move, and has the endorsement of bankers and business men.

A point to be remembered however, is that there must be sufficient pasturage to care for the stock if any money is expected to be made.

There are several good pasture mixtures for permanent pastures, and any farmer desiring information concerning this, can secure it at the County Extension Agent's office. Spring pastures should be sown, particularly if they have clover in the mixtures, towards the last of February or the first of March. This time

is rapidly approaching and plans should be made before the planting time arrives.

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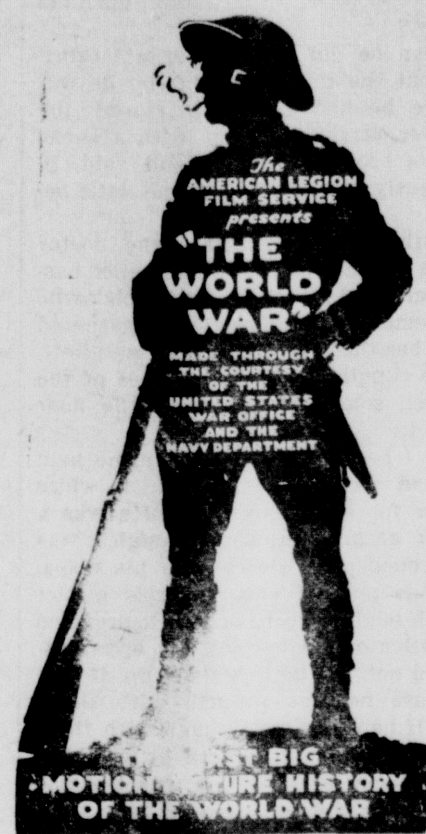
Public Worship—11:00 a. m.

Prayer Meeting—Thursday, 7 p. m.

Are you attending church? If not, you are cordially invited to attend our services. Everybody welcome.

R. C. ROGERS, Pastor.

Mrs. J. O. Bebout, Mrs. S. B. Hardwick and Mrs. Robb of Bertrand, Mrs. Boyce, Mrs. Benson and Mrs. Berger of Oran were among the many out-of-town visitors to see the picture, Ben Hur, at Malone Theatre Tuesday afternoon.



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Sometimes a neighbor-lady, too,
Is lucky, an' brings us a few—
But, gosh, our fam'ly always needs a lot!

When Mother hasn't any more,
Sometimes she buys some at the store,
But every kind tastes jes' like all the rest.
You bet yer neck I like the cake
An' cookies other people bake;
But my own Mother always makes 'em best!



Oak Hill—Purchase of lime pulverizer contemplated.

Alton—Work on road between here and Thomasville completed.

Edina—Office of Bell Telephone Co. moves to larger quarters in Simpson building.

Guthrie—Chicago & Alton Railroad to maintain station agent at Guthrie on South Branch.

Exeter—Business men here to replace burned buildings.

Springfield—Detour on highway 66 between Stafford and Holman east of here eliminated.

New Franklin—New State Bank, Exchange Bank of New Franklin, chartered.

Purdy—Empire District Electric Company constructing power line southward from here to point near Cassville.

Versailles—Central Missouri Mining Company of Versailles to erect lead and zinc mill of 10 tons daily capacity.

Joplin—This place and Kansas City connected by hardsurfaced all-year highway; 60 per cent concrete.

Farmington—Approaches to new bridge across Wolf Creek on 61 three miles south of here will be surfaced.

Salem—19 cans of fish planted in Meramec and Current Rivers.

Campbell—Clay-Dunklin Oil & Gas Company to drill 2 tests near this place.

Cowgill—Fire department organized here.

Clarksdale—"Clarksdale Journal" is new paper being published here.

Shelbyville—E. Smith and J. McKethen shipped load of 1188 steers to St. Louis market from here on recent day.

Westphalia—Town board grants franchise to Gasconade Light & Power Company for electric current.

Greenville—Arkansas-Mo. Power Company wiring buildings in Greenville and Williamsville.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

The beekeepers of Southeast Missouri organized at a meeting in Morehouse Monday night. There were two members of the board of directors elected from each county in Southeast Missouri. L. A. Schott of Benton was elected to draft a tentative set of by-laws and a constitution. The first meeting of the board of directors will be held in the Chamber of Commerce room in Sikeston, Tuesday, January 24, at eight o'clock.

Boone & Son Grocery has bought out the Walden grocery and moved to the old Walden location.

The Morehouse Tigers play Cape Girardeau Central Thursday night at Cape. The girls' basketball team will play Canalou Friday night at the local gym followed by an independent game between Morehouse and Cana-

Professor Bryce Edwards will start an extension course in olericulture at Matthews next Monday. This is a University of Missouri course for three hours credit. Teachers of the Sikeston district who want credit, can advantageously take this course at a small cost compared to resident work at the University.

Mrs. W. R. Griffin went to Cairo on Wednesday to spend the remainder of the week visiting here son, William Marvin.

Mrs. Brice Edwards and son spent Wednesday in Charleston, the guests of Mrs. P. H. Teal.

P. H. Teal, County Agent of Mississippi County, was a business visitor in Morehouse, Wednesday.

Farmington—Traffic sign to be erected at intersection of highway 61 and Potosi Street at northwest city limits.



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MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL REVIEW NEWS

Leeton—Annual meeting of Leeton Livestock Shipping Association will be held here January 21.

Dresel—Another oil well brought in in this section 12 on Miller farm, seven miles southwest.

Princeton—O. S. Tallent to install hatchery here shortly.

Hamilton—Burlington has extra gang here laying new and heavier steel rails.

Boonville—New addition to St. Joseph's Hospital nearing completion.

Columbia—New town springing up on U. S. Highway No. 41 eighteen miles east of here.

**YOUTH HAS HIS JOKE;
POLICE LAUGH LAST**

St. Louis, January 6.—Ernest Fields, 28, former soda dispenser at Little Hayti, Mo., had to have his little joke while trying to be a real dyed-in-the-wool highwayman in a big town.

And today the police are, figuratively, laughing last, for Fields' body lies in the morgue with three bullet holes which he got in a pitched battle with officers, in which 50 shots were fired after he had misjudged the time required for his joke.

His prank was to compel 11 people to drink sodas, whether of the proper flavor or not, while he held up the drug store and nonchalantly displayed his nerve by sticking around a while. Somebody with a small sense of humor telephoned police. They, too, failed to see the joke. They opened fire.

Fields, known familiarly as "Fat", had the reputation of being a practical joker, even when employed as soda dispenser and all around clerk in his father's general store at Hayti. His parents did not approve of his gambling and drinking habits and he came to St. Louis three months ago. Until Christmas he was employed as butcher in a chain store. He boarded with his wife and her child by a previous marriage.

**BANK BANDITS CAUGHT
FLEEING WITH BOOTY**

Poplar Bluff, January 6.—James Tyler, 19, and Gene Cooper, 21, of Belleville, Ill., admit they were miserable failures in their first attempt to hold up a bank and get away with it. They are in county jail following a thrilling afternoon, after they held up the Bank of Quin, at Quin, 25 miles south of here, and obtained about \$3000. The youths were captured near the heart of the Poplar Bluff business section, about an hour after the robbery.

With Chief of Police Robert Davis of Poplar Bluff, and Deputy Sheriff Claude Graham pursuing in another machine, the youths sped through the business section of Poplar Bluff and hit a curb as the driver attempted to turn into a residential district. They abandoned it only to run into the arms of the officers after the two-mile chase over Highway No. 60.

The money was found in a sack in the automobile. A rifle was also left in the machine. The automobile, an old coupe, was stolen in St. Louis, police said.

More Cream, Less Cotton

Dexter, January 6.—The amount of cream shipped from Dexter in 1927 increased nearly 20 per cent while the poultry shipments increased more than 12 per cent over 1926. Cotton ginned in the county decreased nearly 65 per cent, the Government report of December 13 showing 4400 less bales in 1927 than at the same date in 1926.

It is announced that Kansas City will entertain the G. O. P. national convention. But we shouldn't be surprised if it turned out to be the other way around.—San Diego Union.

**MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL
REVIEW NEWS**

Chillicothe—Chillicothe Business College formally opens its new gymnasium-auditorium.

Fortuna—Farmers Shipping Association recently shipped load of cattle to St. Louis market from here.

Gladstone—Post office here to remain open.

Farmington—C. B. Denman shipped two carloads of lambs from here on recent day.

Elvins—New Piggly Wiggly Store opened here.

Pleasant Hill—J. F. Bell's invention of saw-rig and portable shingle mill to be manufactured here beginning January 20.

Hollister—Preliminary construction work on Table Rock dam at head of Lake Taneycomo near here begun.

Wayland—Contract awarded for paving road between here and Kahoka on State Highway No. 4.

Lee's Summit—Site being inspected for proposed county buildings.

Carthage—Suitable market place to be provided here.

St. Louis—New building for St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church and school being erected on Neosho Street.

Bethany—Farm Equipment Company opens for business with establishments at Bethany and Ridgeway.

Vandalia—Farmers Elevator shipped 2 carloads hogs to St. Louis from here recently.

Pattonsburg—Work under way on Highway 69.

Mexico—Plans making for construction of garage here to be occupied by Gorrell Chevrolet Co.

Marshfield—Pevely Dairy Co. of St. Louis opens sweet cream plant here.

Westphalia—This town grants electric light and power franchise to Gasconade Light & Power Co.

Gerald—Efforts being made to induce H. F. Webster Leather Company of St. Louis to locate sole leather factory here.

Hannibal—Independent Gravel Co. of Carthage and Joplin erecting new limestone crushing plant at quarries here.

Rockville—Petition out for new proposed highway to be built north and east of town.

Carthage—Improvement of Fairview Avenue from Grand Avenue eastward 2 miles assured.

Bowling Green—"Bowling Green Jeffersonian" sold to "Bowling Green Times".

Union—Farm Delegates to hold business session here January 25.

Trenton—Twenty head of purebred Herefords added to Katharine Herford Farm near this place.

Rolla—Frisco railroad puts on new fast train and greatly improves schedule.

De Soto—Bids to be received for building sewer system here.

Cameron—Cameron Telephone Co. laying cable to replace lines in business section of Main street.

Monett—Emery Hill Investment Co. increases capitalization.

Galt—Purchase of chemical fire extinguisher considered here.

Bismarck—Output of dairy industry in this section during past year

amounted to more than combined production of potatoes, corn and wheat.

Harrisonville—Drive for Farm Bureau members under way in Cass County.

Palmyra—Burlington Railroad putting in new bridge over Junction road.

Russellville—New free bridge across Arkansas River near here dedicated.

**GENERAL LEE'S MOTHER
WAS BURIED ALIVE**

Gen. Robert E. Lee, the military hero and leader of the South, was born fifteen months after his mother had been laid to rest in her casket in the family vault on Arlington Heights.

This sounds like a strange phenomenon of nature, but it is true, nevertheless. History, so far as it touches the life of this great military genius, fails to mention this incident.

Warfield Lee, of Gatlettsburg, Ky., is familiar with the story of the incident, and occasionally relates it to his acquaintances. An the Catlettsburg man is in a position to know, for he is a grand-nephew of General Lee. The distinguished military leader was a brother of Warfield Lee's father, Samuel Lee.

He tells the story as follows:

"Light Horse" Harry Lee's wife, was in very poor health in 1809. The family physician had announced that his skill and knowledge of medical science could not save her. Her condition grew steadily more precarious until one day four physicians about her bedside pronounced her dead. She lay in state in the great Lee mansion on Arlington Heights for four days. On the sixth day she was removed to the family mausoleum.

On the seventh day the sexton went into the mausoleum to lay flowers on the casket and sweep the floor, for the day before had been quite rainy and the shoes of those following the distinguished woman to her final rest dropped considerable mud.

While sweeping, the old sexton heard a weak far-off sounding call, "Help, help, help". The sexton could not account for the voice unless it were from the dead, and he soon was without the walls of the mausoleum. Arguing with himself, the voice had been entirely his imagination, he finally took courage and returned to his sweeping.

Finishing his sweeping, he walked to the casket to strew the flowers over the lid. Again he heard that weak, far-off calling "Help, help, help!" He was standing directly over the glass of the lid, and looking into the face of the supposedly dead woman he saw her lips quiver. The lid was hurriedly removed by him before he summoned assistance. Mrs. Lee was taken from the mausoleum to the house, where she soon recovered and lived to a ripe old age.

Fifteen months after the incident Robert Edward Lee was born.

While Congress is in session, the log of the Ship of State shows a lot of rolling.—Virginian-Pilot.

Another thing: You can learn by mail to speak good English, and that will astonish your friends.—Manila Bulletin.

Earth has been used for building dwellings and other structures for many centuries. One method of use, superior to others and which was known and used by the Romans, is being revived for modern buildings. The method consists of ramming slightly moist earth, without the addition of straw or other material, between movable forms, and is known by its French name "pise de terre" which means "rammed earth".

Rammed earth is a reliable building material when properly handled and is admirably adapted to buildings on farms, especially if suitable earth is at hand. Where it is difficult to obtain other building materials such as are commonly used for farm structures, earth may be a successful substitute because it is already on the building site. A suitable soil consists of a mixture of clay and sand. Earth that forms into clods when dug will likely prove suitable. Earth of the proper kind, tamped hard in forms like those used for concrete construction, will make very desirable walls, possessing excellent insulating qualities. Such walls have been known to stand for a hundred years or more. Instructions for "rammed earth" construction can be obtained from the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Chicago Is Churchgoing Town.—Headline. A considerable number of the churchgoers, we imagine, attend in the capacity of pall-bearers.—Arkansas Gazette.

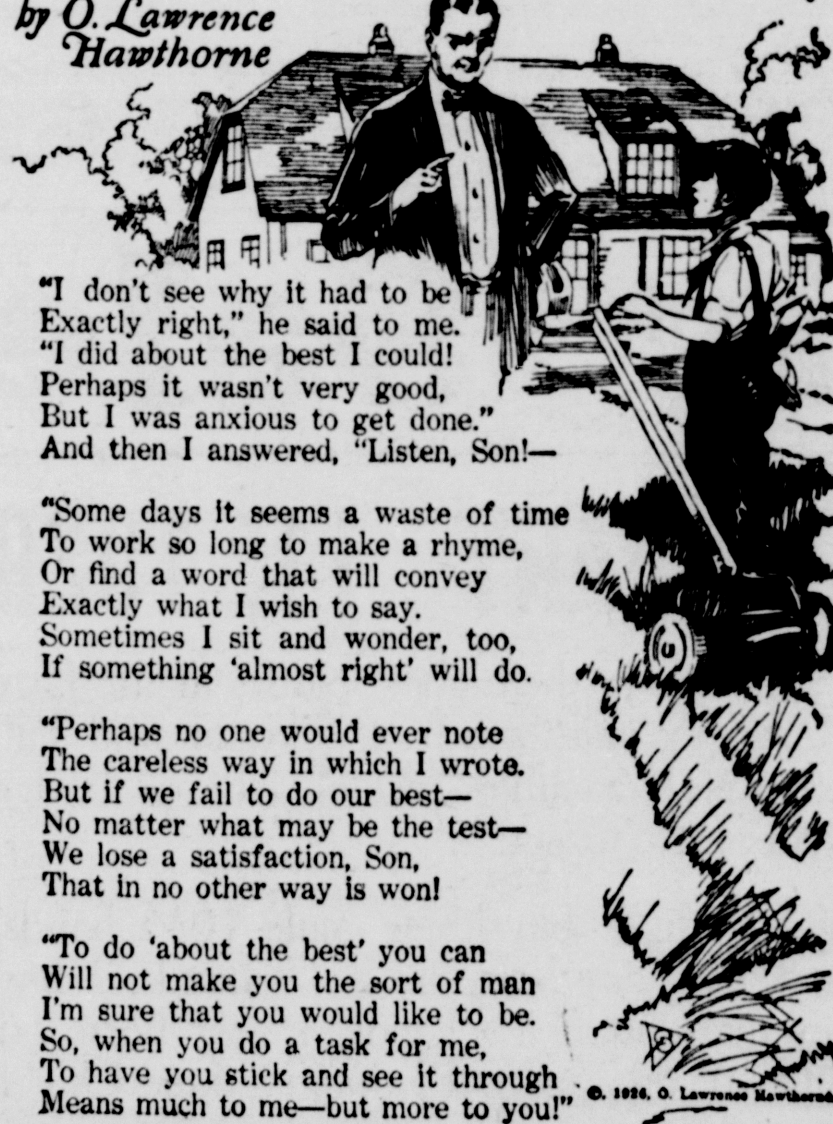
GAS

**LOW RATES
Cooking
Heating**

VOTE "YES" JANUARY 10TH
SCRATCH "NO"

Let's Do Our Best!

by O. Lawrence Hawthorne



**REV. E. B. HENSLEY GIVEN
RECEPTION WEDNESDAY**

Rev. E. B. Hensley, who recently became pastor of the Flat River First Christian church, and Mrs. Hensley were given a reception Wednesday evening at the church. A program was given, consisting of talks from chairmen of the different organizations of the church, also musical numbers, consisting of vocal solos, quartettes and community singing. After this a social hour was spent and refreshments of fruit salad, cake and cocoa were served. The reception was largely attended and was a very enjoyable affair.—Flat River News.

TO OPERATE 30 CREAM ROUTES

Poplar Bluff, January 6.—Thirty cream routes will be operated out of Poplar Bluff by the Pevely Dairy Co., beginning next week. W. O. Martin of St. Louis will have temporary charge of the local Pevely Company station. Equipment is en route here now and the company will be located in a new building on Fifth street. Martin is of the opinion that the local station will increase output of dairy products greatly, and that the cream business, within three years, will net farmers more than \$5000 a day.

Sign on a Minneapolis street-car: "Pedestrians should be seen and not hurt".—Chicago News.

RHEUMATISM

While in France with the American Army I obtained a noted French prescription for the treatment of Rheumatism and Neuritis. I have given this to thousands with wonderful results. The prescription cost me nothing. I ask nothing for it. I will mail it if you will send me your address. A postal will bring it. Write today. PAUL CASE, Dept. U-175

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Supper 5 to 7:30



SPECIAL ELECTION THING OF THE PAST

The special election called for Tuesday, January 10, to vote on granting a franchise for natural gas to the Moody & Seagraves Co., passed by a vote of 781 to 166.

The vote by wards follows:

Ward 1, Yes, 211; No, 32

Ward 2, Yes, 156; No, 60

Ward 3, Yes, 207; No, 37

Ward 4, Yes, 207; No, 37

The special election to change the form of government for Sikeston created much interest, but many failed to come out as the proposition was not thoroughly understood. The vote was a close one as it stood yes, 456; No, 461. The vote by wards follows:

Ward 1, Yes, 161; No, 91

Ward 2, Yes, 120; No, 44

Ward 3, Yes, 105; No, 141

Ward 4, Yes, 70; No, 135

The Sikeston correspondent of the Post-Dispatch stated advocates of the Commission Form of Government would probably proceed with another attempt to vote on the proposition as the vote was so close. Two attorneys have informed The Standard that the question cannot be brought up again before two years.

MURDER DELIBERATE GOV. SMITH SAYS

Gov. Smith's statement denying executive clemency to Ruth Snyder and Henry Judd Gray follows:

"In the matter of the application for executive clemency for Ruth Brown Snyder and Henry Judd Gray: 'This case received my anxious consideration, not merely since the hearing before me upon the application for executive clemency, but ever since the Court of Appeals unanimously affirmed the judgment of the defendants.

"The execution of this judgment on a woman is so distressing that I had hoped that the appeal to me for executive clemency would disclose some fact which would justify my interference with the processes of the law. But this did not happen.

"I have searched in vain for any basis which my conscience, in the light of my oath of office, will approve, on which I might temper the law with mercy. Up to this writing there is no extenuation shown for what seven judges of the Court of Appeals, in agreement with the twelve jurors and the trial justice, have found to be a deliberate and premeditated murder committed by these defendants.

"The application for executive clemency is therefore denied."

SURPRISE PARTY FOR MR. AND MRS. SAYERS TANNER

Mesdames Ben Hahn and Alcom Lewis surprised Mr. and Mrs. Sayers Tanner at their home in the country, last Friday evening with a shower. The occasion being the ninth anniversary of their marriage. Mrs. Tanner received some lovely gifts from those present. The following from Sikeston attended besides their neighbors in the country: Mrs. Wm. Smith, Mrs. Charles Tanner, Harrison Tanner, Louis Ellen Tanner, Mrs. David Allard, Mrs. Ida Lewis, Miss Pearl Allard, Mrs. Randol Wilson, Miss Myra Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Tanner.

AMONG OUR SICK

We are glad to report that John N. Chaney, who has been ill, is up and around again.

Mrs. Gossitt, who was operated on for appendicitis and who is a patient at the Emergency Hospital, is progressing satisfactorily.

Dr. O. E. Kendall is still improving at his home on South Kingshighway.

Mrs. Mollie Marshall, who suffered a bad scalp wound and a sprained hand and arm last week, is improving.

Forrest Young, who had his hand badly mangled in an electric planing machine at his shop several days ago, is getting along fine he informs The Standard. He will not lose his fingers that were so badly cut as first thought.

A. B. Skillman, who has been confined to his bed with a severe sore throat, is better.

T. J. Mathis was a business visitor to Poplar Bluff, Thursday.

Mrs. Paul Anderson entertained Mrs. Emma Kendall, Mrs. Henrietta Stumm, Mrs. Wallace Applegate and Mrs. Handy Smith at lunch at the Cape Girardeau Tea Room, Thursday.

3 BANDITS CAUGHT AFTER BIG HOLDUP

East Prairie, January 10.—Three bandits, who early Monday night held up and robbed two men in a rooming house at Caruthersville of \$1600 and two valuable diamonds, were captured here early today by Marshal George Wright.

The men gave their names as: Elbert Johnson, 25, Chicago; Frank Smith, 25, West Frankfort, and Richard Miller, 34, Cape Girardeau.

Marshal Wright reported finding \$923 of the money, \$74 being taken from Miller and the remainder, about equally divided, from the other two. The bandits refused to say where the remainder of the money was, except to state that they had thrown away about \$400 in silver. The diamonds, a ring and a stud, also were recovered.

The officer here was notified of the robbery from Caruthersville, and later was notified from New Madrid that the bandits had eluded a posse there, and had abandoned their automobile and were making their way to this place on foot.

Wright intercepted Smith and Johnson in a restaurant here at 6 a. m. and a few minutes later captured Miller on the street.

Sheriff Wade Tucker, of New Madrid, who engaged the bandits in a gun battle at the outskirts of New Madrid when they refused to halt their Hudson automobile, came here this forenoon and took the men to New Madrid. En route he said he intended looking for the silver money the men had thrown away.

Fleeing under a barrage of shots from Sheriff Tucker and his posse, the bandits left the highway at New Madrid, taking a side street that led to the river. Here they were forced to abandon their automobile, and they set out on foot along the government levee, following to where it intersects with the railroad leading to East Prairie.

According to the report to Sheriff J. H. Smith at Caruthersville, two bandits entered a rooming house over the Elks Cafe there early Monday night, directed their guns at the two occupants, John Garrett and Luke Van Arsdale, and took \$1600 in money and the two diamonds.

After warning the men to remain in the room until they reached the street, the bandits backed out of the room and entered the automobile, at the wheel of which a man, later identified as Miller, had waited. They sped away, going west toward Highway No. 61.

Sheriff Smith, after being notified, warned officers along highways, and Sheriff Tucker placed a guard on the road where it enters New Madrid.

Approximately \$1200 of the money was in bills, according to Garrett's statement, to officers, while \$400 was in silver. The bandits, however, said they had thrown away only the silver and that the bills found by Marshal Wright constituted the remainder of the loot.

Marshal Wright took three revolvers from the men, Johnson having two and Smith one. Miller was unarmed.

Miller, who insisted he was from Cape Girardeau, gave his occupation as "gambler".

Sheriff Smith said the men had been around Caruthersville for several days, and he believes they had intended staging a bank holdup there.—Cape Missourian.

TELEPHONE BILLING CHANGE ON FEBRUARY 1

Telephone users in Sikeston will be billed for their telephone service in advance after February 1, L. D. Randol, district manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, announced today.

"Heretofore," Randol said, "telephone subscribers have been billed on the first of the month for the previous month's bill. Under the new system, subscribers will be billed for telephone service for the month in which the bill is presented. Long distance charges up to the twenty-first of the preceding month will be included in this bill.

"In February, telephone users will receive two bills: the regular one on the first of the month for service during January; and the second on the fifteenth for February service. Long distance charges up to the twenty-first of January will be included on the first bill."

Pleasant Hill—Messrs. Maddin and Shippey to drill here for shale gas.

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SENATE PASSES FARM REHABILITATION BILL

Washington, January 11.—Without opposition, the Senate today passed the bill introduced by Senator Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas for the purpose of providing immediate means for rehabilitating farm lands in the flood areas. The bill, which was reported from the Senate committee on agriculture and forestry by Senator Caraway, member of the committee, provides:

"That due to the emergency existing in the Lower Mississippi Valley as a result of the flood of 1927, county funds available from taxation are so impaired throughout the flood area that a continued support of the normal constructive activities of these counties, including the employment of county extension agents in agriculture and home economics, will be impossible. The secretary of agriculture is hereby authorized, in co-operation with the several states and local agencies within these states, to employ such county extension agents necessary to aid in quickly and adequately rehabilitating these flood-devastated farm areas.

"That for the purpose of this act there is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$500,000 for the employment of county extension agents, traveling, subsistence and other necessary expenses, to be expended by the secretary of agriculture under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe for the proper carrying out of the purposes of this act."

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER FOR MRS. CARL MATHIS

A miscellaneous shower was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Mathis Tuesday evening for Mrs. Carl Mathis, formerly Miss Leota Cravens. A large number of beautiful gifts were received by the young bride. About forty guests were present. The out-of-town guests were Mesdames H. R. Lacey, W. R. Mathis, Herbert Mathis and Miss Vera Mathis, all of Poplar Bluff.

Delightful refreshments were served and a very enjoyable time was had by those present.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lair, Jr., and Mrs. J. P. Loebe of Charleston were Sikeston visitors, Wednesday.

The Andros Meat Market will be closed for a few days until an ammonia pipe to the refrigerator can be replaced.

The Lutherans will have services in Sikeston Sunday morning at 10:30. Text, St. John 1, 43-51. Theme: "Three Visions of Jesus". All are welcome at our services.

The big brick plant at Mexico, Mo. called upon the Chillicothe Business College for two more stenographers this past week while two more were placed with Swift & Co. in Chicago.

FAVORS LOCAL AID IN FLOOD CONTROL

Washington, January 11.—The Federal Government should control the Mississippi River for the purpose of navigation, Col. Charles L. Potter of St. Louis, the River Commission president, says, but there should be some form of local co-operation and expense in flood control.

Testifying for the fourth day before the House Flood Control Committee today, Col. Potter asserted that "there is need of local interest for the protection of the levees". He said this interest is stimulated by participation in the cost.

Chairman Reed delved in the campaign of the commission among the levee districts of the valley for payment of their allotments for flood works. Col. Potter admitted that the dealings with the levee districts on financing was "all verbal and there were few written records of these transactions."

"The levee districts under the present law are under contract to make their contribution to the Government for flood protection", he said.

Representative Cox of Georgia, a Democrat, on the committee, asked Col. Potter if the commission was influenced in its studies and report by the army engineers. The commission's president said "No".

Mendon—Santa Fe Railroad building shed at shipping yards here.

1.15 CTS. FOR FARMER IN 8-CT. LOAF OF BREAD

Washington, January 11.—A one-pound loaf of bread cost the American family 8.55 cents over a three-year period recently studied by the Federal Trade Commission, with the farmer who raised the wheat receiving 1.15 cents and the baker 5.11 cents of the amount.

In a table showing the distribution of the 8.55 cents paid out by the American householder for his pound loaf, the commission disclosed the miller received the smallest share, 0.41 cents, with the grocer getting 1.28 cents, and the railroads and other handlers 0.60 cents.

With nearly half the bread now consumed in the United States produced by commercial bakeries and with three companies controlling about 20 per cent of that output, the commission found that competition was keen although price cutting wars had resulted in price fixing agreements in some cities.

Wholesale bread prices have shown a pronounced decline from the high levels of 1920, with prices following the trend of flour prices during that period, the commission found.

It further observed "abundant potential competition" in the flour milling industry, but there were "frequent efforts" to limit production among millers by agreements and understandings to sell at a profit as well as by exchange of information on selling prices and by other means.

The Ward, General and Continental corporations, it was established, conduct about 150 bakeries with an estimated output of almost 20 per cent of the total commercial bread production in the United States.

Profits of wholesale bakers were comparatively high in the six years from 1920 through 1925, the report stated. The rate of return on the total baking investment, as shown by the companies' books or as reported to the commission, was 14.90 per cent, and the investment, as revised by the commission to eliminate intangibles and appreciation, averaged more than 25 per cent.

Sikeston High School News

By Hallie Carey

Exams are here.
Everybody's crammin'
And at the last minute
Preparin' for examin'!

A boys' quartette consisting of Frank Miller, Linn Swaim, Carroll Sutton and Kemper Bruton is planning on appearing in public next Tuesday evening if it survives from exams.

A new amendment has been added to the Constitution of Sikeston High School to the effect that the portals will be shut tight and locked fast at 8:45 a. m. and 1:00 p. m. No admittance will be gained after said hours.

Miss Rubye Rogers was absent from school the latter part of last week on account of the death of her grandfather, J. A. Rogers, of Greenfield, Tenn., formerly a resident of Sikeston.

Miss Cornelia Randol shopped in Charleston Tuesday afternoon.

The representative from Barnes' School of Nursing talked to the prospective nurses among the Senior class Wednesday morning.

Freshman News

Several "Freshies" were excused Tuesday afternoon to see "Ben Hur", whom they declared as a mighty fine fellow.

All "Freshies" are suffering that terrible disease called "Exams" this week and it is awfully hard to tell whether the patients of Miss Besgrove, Miss Jennings, Mrs. Veith and Mr. Granneman are going to recover.

We, the ninth grade, are proud of our little classmate, who played basketball last Friday night and helped defeat Charleston. Come on "Freshies" give fifteen raps for "Imo" or Imogene Albritton, if you please.

Don't forget the game Friday with Caruthersville, here.

Robert Mow, Shirley Bloomfield and A. B. Skillman are on the sick list this week.

Mrs. O. W. McCutchen of Blytheville, Ark., spent the early part of the week in Sikeston.

Mrs. Ralph Anderson and children, who have been spending the holidays with Mrs. Anderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Huckleby at Jackson, Mo., returned home Thursday afternoon.

ALVIN NICHOLSON ACCIDENTLY KILLED

A repeating rifle in the hands of a lad and shooting within the corporate limits caused the death of Alvin Nicholson, 12 years of age, when he got in the range of the rifle fired by J. W. Stone, a 13-year-old boy, both of Sikeston.

Stone was shooting the rifle loaded with .22 long, when the Nicholson lad stepped from behind the post that was the target, when the bullet struck him about the left cheek bone, ranging a little up and came out at the back of his head, passing through the brain.

The lad was rushed to the Emergency Hospital for treatment, but never regained consciousness and passed away about 1:00 o'clock Thursday morning.

This should be a warning to parents to keep dangerous weapons out of the hands of young boys, and especially in the city.

CARDS ARE STACKED AGAINST 'THE FOX'

Los Angeles, January 11.—One more chance to escape the noose for the kidnaping and slaying of Marian Parker was lost by William Edward Hickman late today when the juvenile court judge, Scott, dismissed a petition filed last summer making him a ward of the juvenile court.

The action definitely ended Hickman's claim that he is a minor. The 19-year-old accused youth is now eligible for trial in the superior court, where conviction for murder is punishable with death.

Hickman was taken to court at 2 p. m. under heavy guard. Few spectators were present as his appearance in juvenile court was not expected by the public. The petition dismissed today had been filed last August when Hickman was released on probation on forgery charges.

In Hickman's cell earlier today state and defense alienists slated to appear at his sanity hearing January 25 confronted each other. Dr. O. R. Shelton, hired by the defense, was with Hickman when Dr. Herman Schorr and Paul Bowers, state psychiatrists, arrived.

Dr. Shelton informed the state doctors that Hickman refused to be tested by the state psychiatrists and further that it would require three days for him to finish his examination.

Doctors Schorr and Bowers conferred with District Attorney Asa Keyes and Dr. Benjamin Blank, county jail physician. Thereupon Dr. Blank went to Shelton, who was continuing to interview Hickman, and announced to Dr. Shelton that either the state alienists would examine Hickman or else Shelton would not be allowed to.

Dr. Shelton, however, continued his examination and said he would induce Hickman to submit to investigation by the state's alienists.

SOCIAL AFFAIRS

Mrs. Wallace Applegate delightfully entertained with an informal tea at her home Wednesday afternoon, complimentary to her house guest, Mrs. Henrietta Stumm. About eighteen ladies enjoyed the afternoon. Several very original numbers were given by some of the talented ladies present. Mrs. Stumm gave two readings, which everyone enjoyed. A delicious salad luncheon was served.

Mrs. Charles Prow will entertain the Friday Bridge Club.

Mrs. Murray Klein was hostess to the Tuesday Club and an extra table of guests. Mrs. Sam Brady of Camden, Ark., was the out-of-town guest.

Mrs. J. L. Matthews had a few friends in for bridge Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Sam Brady of Camden, Ark., who is visiting homefolks in Sikeston.

The Chillicothe Business College passed the 2000 mark in its yearly enrollment this past week, a mark which in previous years was not reached until the June Opening.

Mrs. Sue Stallcup, who has been spending several weeks in Sikeston, returned to Hot Springs, Ark., Thursday. Mrs. Stallcup will visit in Memphis, Tenn., en route to Hot Springs, to consult her oculist.

Craven Watkins is located at Magnolia, Ark., near the Louisiana line, where he is slab inspector on the Arkansas State Highway. It is the same sort of a position that he had on No. 84 below Libbourn. His family will join him soon.

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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adjoining counties\$1.50
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United States\$2.00

This is one time The Standard edi-
tor won both of his bets!

We can now tell why the Commis-
sion Form of Government failed to
pass. It lacked a majority vote.

The activity displayed by many of
our partisan Republicans was another
thing that made some vote the way
they did. It looked as though they
wanted the pie and not for the good
of the city.

There is some talk of taking action
against one of the election judges in
the special election of Tuesday for
electioneering in the voting room and
marking the ballots of five negro men
the opposite from what they wanted
to vote.

Fred Groves was down from the
Cape Wednesday driving one of the
new Fords. While here with it last
week, The Standard editor had the
pleasure of a ride in the new product
and was agreeably surprised at the
easy riding of the car. It sped along
at a 55-mile gait and had no jar,
tremble or shake to it. It looks good
to the eye, too.

The nerviest proposition that has
hit The Standard office for a long time
was a man claiming to be a printer,
who blew into the office Wednesday
morning and asked for a donation to
help him get to Cairo. He was driving
a car and had a woman, his wife,
he said, with him. The Standard edi-
tor has no car and we'll be blamed if
we contribute the price to joy riders.

One of our largest farmers sug-
gested to the editor that he state that
Sikeston is yet a country town and
should not attempt city ways until
the farmer gets back on his feet, that
the farmer is anxious to see Sikeston
grow and will do his part when a turn
for the better comes. This is a good
suggestion and worthy of considera-
tion. Without money we cannot grow,
and the farmer has to furnish Sikes-
ton with the money. Here's hoping
1928 will be the turning point for the
better.

The blow that almost killed father
fell Tuesday with a sickening thud. It
was so close that the victors have no
room to crow. It was evident that the
voters wanted a change of some sort.
Some thought for better, some
thought for worse. With this idea in
view, the members of the present
form of government should seek a
way to regain the confidence of all by
trying to revise some of the ordinan-
ces that would permit of consolidating
some of the offices, making minimum
fines \$5, to permit the employment of
a city manager, and to lay out a pro-
gram of some sort that would be help-
ful to the entire city. To be sure it
would cost, perhaps, \$2500 to get a
capable man for the job, but it would
be his duty to look after the interests
of the city, give his entire attention
to same, and maybe save enough of
the city's money to more than pay his
salary. We believe such a man is F.
L. Pittman, former mayor of Union
City, Tenn., former president of the
Sikeston Lions Club. There should be
no ill feeling caused by the campaign
just closed as there were just as many
good citizens working for one side of
the question as was working for the
other side. It is a better city that all
are after and one that will advance
just as fast as the finances will per-
mit.

Since the above was put in type we
are informed that it would be neces-
sary to change the present form of
city government in order to employ a
city manager, and that the statutes of
the State of Missouri provide for the
selective officers now in office in cities
of this class.

The rabid talk that has been indulg-
ed in by a few around Sikeston as to
a supposed shortage in city finances
and who got the money, should be
curbed or they forced to prove the
charges. The grand jury will find or
refuse to return an indictment at
their adjourned term during January,
against somebody, or a warrant will
be sworn out that will cause an inves-
tigation of the entire matter, and the
blame placed where it rightfully be-
longs. There is a shortage without a
doubt and The Standard is familiar
with most of the details, but hesitates
to publish same until some legal ac-
tion has been taken, as we do not
wish to prejudice the case one way or
the other. A libel case would be just-
ified against some of those doing the
talking.

Frank DeCon, chief of game ward-
ens, has informed Deputy Game War-
den John Malone, that an officer has
the right to demand the count of
game if he has an idea that the law
is being broken. The editor of The
Standard has read this letter and
knows it is true.

Jas. Johnson, who was confined to
his home for a few days this week on
account of being ill, is again able to
be at his place of business.

The mouthing assault on the pres-
ent city administration was ill-timed
to say the least, as it made the mem-
bers work all the more to defeat the
Commission Form. The administra-
tion of Mayor Felker was severely
criticized by some, the same with the
Administration of Mayor White. All
three of these administrations were
severely criticized by some, and most-
ly without reason, as all could ac-
complish little without more revenue.
The administrations of Mayor Malone
were likewise criticized when he paid
out of his own pocket many bills that
should have been paid by the city. He
was able to do it and his pride of
things for his home city was a pleas-
ure to him. If you KNOW of any-
thing criminal against the adminis-
tration, or any member, it is your
duty as a good citizen to take legal
action, and if not, go slow. Disap-
pointed job hunters sometimes start
talk and sometimes talk starts itself.

Listen to this and see if you would
be willing to take stock in enterprise
to manufacture the goods sold in the
Southeast Missouri territory. During
the year just past, one concern ship-
ped into the territory east from Poplar
Bluff to the Mississippi River and
from Cape Girardeau to the Arkansas
border, 18 car loads of condensed
milk and over two million dollars
worth of meat products. This just for
one firm. There were 75,000 cases of
the milk at a cost of \$4.50 per case.
Other sections are securing such en-
terprises and Sikeston is lying in a
good position to serve this territory
with the goods. What do you think
of it?

The Standard notes with regret
that the Japanese Tea Room has been
forced into bankruptcy. It was a much
needed place and was run on a high
plane. Happy has labored hard to
make it a going concern, but slack
times and abnormal expenses force
him to take this step.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Matthews of
Portageville returned home Wednes-
day afternoon, after a visit with their
son, Emory Matthews and family.

Mrs. J. M. Klein, Mrs. Betty Mat-
thews and Mr. and Mrs. Barney For-
rester visited Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hun-
ter of Cape Girardeau, Wednesday af-
ternoon.

One reason murderers are rarely
rung in America is that juries often
are.—Virginia-Pilot.

Mistletoe, briefly a glorious oppor-
tunity, is once again a mere parasite.
—Philadelphia Evening Public Led-
ger.

Americans haven't anything like a
bul ring, unless you count the one
candidates throw their hats in.—San
Jose News.

"The world is so full of a number
of things, I am sure we should all be
as happy as kings", was written some
time before the world got full of dic-
tators.—Arkansas Gazette.

This is the season when no man
should be criticized for the necktie
he wears.—Indianapolis Star.

A king still has it soft in many
ways. Michael of Roumania gets a
lump of sugar after taking his cough
medicine.—Detroit News.

This country, in sending Lindbergh
and his plane to Mexico, certainly
put its best foot forward.—Marshall
County (Minn.) Banner.

As the owner of most of the gold in
the world, America cordially welcom-
es Italy back to the gold standard.—
Springfield Republican.

In this wet-and-dry conflict, there's
something about a politician on the
fence that reminds you of a refugee.
—Publishers Syndicate.

It wasn't the development of more
deadly weapons that abolished duel-
ing; it was the development of com-
mon sense.—New Britain Herald.

BOYER AUTO SERVICE
IN NEW QUARTERS

The Boyer Auto Service have moved
their office and accessories into the
new Keith Building and are now
ready to welcome all visitors. This
room is well lighted and the dimen-
sions permits of the splendid display
of the lines handled by the Boyer
Service Co.

They carry parts for most of the
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OPPOSES DIVERSION
OF STATE GAME FUNDS

Perryville, Mo., January 11.—The
Perry County Fish and Game Protec-
tive Association, a local organization
with aims similar to those of the
Izaak Walton League, Monday adopt-
ed a resolution protesting against the
diversion of funds of the State Game
and Fish Department to projects for-
eign to the intended activities of that
department.

Specifically, the resolution remon-
strates against the use of funds of
the department for the removal of the
house in which Mark Twain was born
from Florida, Mo., to Mark Twain
Memorial Park at Hannibal.

The organization indorsed a move-
ment now under way in Cape Girardeau
County, whereby a game sanctu-
ary and public shooting ground, which
is to be established in this district,
would be located in Cape Girardeau
County.

William End was elected president
of the association. Emmanuel Hoff-
stetter was chosen vice president, and
John Boxdorfer, secretary-treasurer.
Threes men hold similar positions in
the local chapter of the Izaak Walton
League.

The Perry County Fish and Game
Protective Association was organized
last spring, when it became apparent
that large numbers of fish, which had
followed the Mississippi flood waters
into the lowlands north of here, would
perish unless an organized effort was
made to rescue them.

During the period of the recession
of the flood, many thousands of small
fish were conveyed by members of the
organization to ponds and streams of
the county. Later a chapter of the
Izaak Walton League was organized
here, and, although nearly all mem-
bers of the original organization took
out membership in the new organiza-
tion, it was voted to continue the local
organization. The two organiza-
tions, officered by the same men, func-
tion as a single body.

Send your cleaning to Pitman's
Tailor Shop. Phone 745.

America's new diplomatic slogan:
"Cay it with flyers".—New York
Sun.

There is a girl in this neighborhood
who is so vivacious that she always
reminds us of a picture cabled from
London.—Ohio State Journal.

Charles T. Gardner, who has been
making a holiday visit to his father,
T. W. Gardner, has returned to Chil-
licothe to continue his studies in the
Chillicothe Business College.

Politics is said to make strange bed-
fellows, and it also makes a lot of
them, to judge by the extent to which
the electorate is going to sleep.—Vir-
ginian-Pilot.

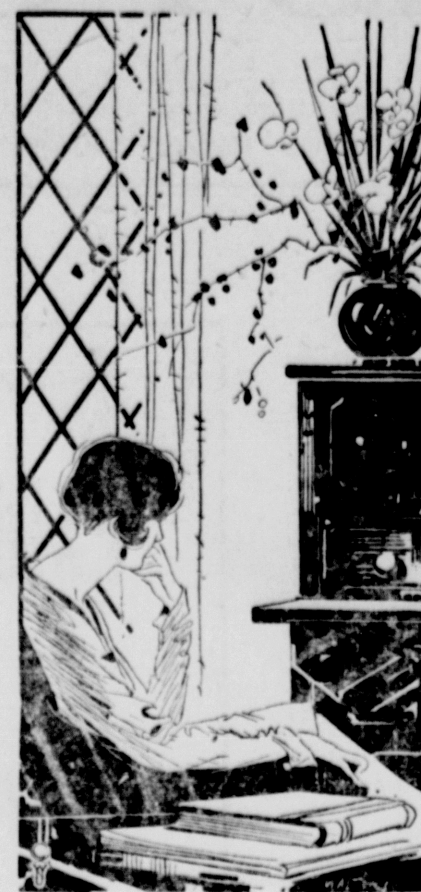
The modern kitchen equipment
makes cooking a simple and easy busi-
ness for the woman who happens to
be an expert machinist.—Chatham
(Ont.) News.

Come to think of it, the interven-
tionists have a real grievance against
Col. Lindbergh. Can't they sue him
or something?—Philadelphia Evening
Public Ledger.

The Delphian Society met with
Mrs. J. A. Hess Monday afternoon.
The next meeting will be with Miss
Myra Tanner on Monday afternoon,
January 23.

Manuel Quezon during his Detroit
visit indicated that the Filipinos har-
bor some resentment against this
country in spite of all the nice prom-
ises that our last five or six Presi-
dents have made them.—Detroit
News.

There were 232 murders in eight
months in Mayor Thompson's metro-
polis, including, we presume, that of
the King's English.—Brooklyn Eagle.
brilliant children generally spring
from undistinguished parents. When
listening to proud parents we oursel-
ves have been struck by this.—Punch.



Home Radio Days

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and evenings, too, during
the coming months when
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St. Louis Star.

If you have any tailoring or alter-
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Mrs. Tom Allen entertained with
two tables of bridge, Thursday after-
noon.

We are sorry to report that the
condition of Mrs. Mary Meiderhoff is
critical.

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Mrs. Ruskin Cook returned to St.
Louis Wednesday, after a few days
visit in Sikeston.

The Junior Missionary Society of
the Methodist church met with Mrs.
Lyle Malone Monday afternoon.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs.
J. M. Pitman will be glad to hear that
they are again residents of Sikeston.

Mrs. Tom Allen and little daughter
returned from Columbia Sunday, af-
ter a pleasant visit with her parents.

The Woman's Club will hold their
next regular meeting at the home of
Mrs. C. E. Brenton Tuesday afternoon
at 2:30.

Mrs. J. L. Matthews, Mrs. C. A.
Cook and Mrs. Calvin Greer attended
the funeral of John C. Russell at
Charleston, Monday afternoon.

Hamilton—A. and P. Grocery chain
of stores to open new store here.

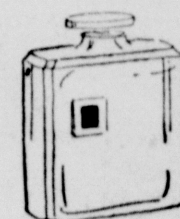
TRUSTEE'S SALE

Whereas, by their certain Deed of
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hala M. Swank, his wife, conveyed to
the undersigned Trustee the follow-
ing described real estate, being, lying,
and situate in the County of Scott and
State of Missouri, to-wit:

The Southwest quarter of the
Southeast quarter of Section One
(1); The Northwest quarter of
the Northeast quarter, the East
one half of the Northeast quar-
ter, and the Northeast quarter of
the Southeast quarter of Section
Twelve, (12), all in Township
Twenty-Seven (27), North of



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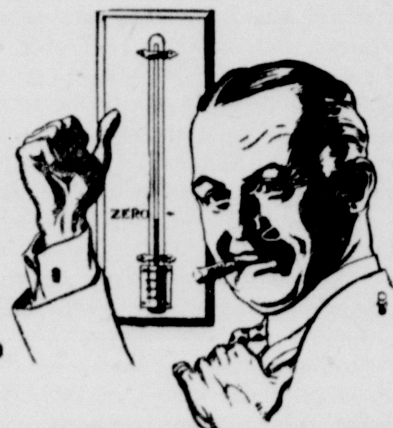
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BAKER BEGINS ON NEW SOLUTION OF ROAD BOND ROW

Jefferson City, January 10.—A new effort to affect a compromise between the State Highway Commission and the Automobile Club of Missouri over the amount and details of the new State road bond issue to be submitted to the voters next November, was undertaken today at the instance of Gov. Baker and with the co-operation of the commission and the club.

The controversy is to be taken from these two bodies and lodged with a special committee of six being chosen by the Governor and to be headed by him. It will meet at the Governor's office as soon as possible and draft a bond proposal, which the commission and club will be asked to support.

The Highway Commission late this afternoon after making public a formal resolution approving the plan outlined by the Governor, to which the commission previously had agreed in a conference with the Governor early today. The commission gave assurance it would support the plan adopted by the new committee.

Baker's action brought a halt, for the present at least to nearly four weeks of disagreement over the proposed additional State road bond issue and reopened the way to a compromise when negotiations apparently had reached a deadlock.

Details of the Governor's conference with the commissioners this morning were not disclosed, but it is known that the Governor informed the commission in no uncertain terms that he wanted it to get together on a bond proposal that all factions could support.

The commission had planned to proceed at once with its \$60,000,000 proposal after failure of negotiations with the Automobile Club, but the \$60,000,000 plan went into the discard with the Governor's action. The commission once more is in line for a compromise.

Gov. Baker said he would not announce the appointment of the new committee for a day or two. Baker will be chairman and C. D. Matthews, chairman of the commission, will represent that body. John Malang, director of the Good Roads Bureau of the Automobile Club, probably will represent the club, as his selection was suggested to Baker by Roy A. Britton, president of the club. The other three members will be chosen by Baker from different sections of the State.

Adoption of this plan in effect will wipe out all of the negotiations so far and the new committee will start a new, with the benefit, however, of all of the data that has been worked out in support of the opposing plans of the commission and Automobile Club.

A conference of good roads supporters called for today by Probate Judge Sam D. Hodgson of Clayton, president of the Ozark Trails Association, to urge steps toward a compromise was held in the Senate chamber, but its purpose had been accomplished before the conference began, thru the executive session in the Governor's office.

A brief meeting was held by the representatives of county courts, chambers of commerce and others, and a resolution was adopted urging a \$90,000,000 bond issue, of which \$30,000,000 was to be set aside for farm to market roads. Approval also was given to the Governor's plan for a new compromise committee.

Several speakers in the conference

urged adoption of the original \$120,000,000 proposal of the Automobile Club, but indicated their willingness to support a smaller amount if it would complete the present system and provide farm to market roads.

Members of the commission, in a conference with Gov. Baker this morning, agreed to his compromise plan and bound themselves to abide by the committee's findings. Later, the commission officially voted in ratification of this.

Thereupon the Governor telephoned to Roy F. Britton, president of the Automobile Club, in St. Louis. Britton told him that he could not bind the club because its board of governors last week had fixed minimum requirements for any bond proposal they would support, but that the club would be glad to be represented on the committee and hoped in this way to obtain an acceptable arrangement.

Britton explained that if the committee proposal did not meet the minimum requirements laid down by the club governors the club would not accept the compromise, unless the governors changed their stand.

After the failure last Thursday of an effort at compromise between the club and the commission, at a meeting in St. Louis, the commission announced it would cause to be submitted a \$60,000,000 bond proposal, without prohibition of any possible future increase of the gasoline tax and motor license fees.

The club originally advocated a \$120,000,000 issue and permanent prohibition of such increases. Last Thursday its governors set these minimum requirements: A \$60,000,000 issue, plus authority for an additional \$40,000,000 for farm-to-market roads if revenue justified, and prohibition of tax and fee increases for a reasonable period, preferably fifteen years; also agreement to spend \$12,000,000 of the money widening highway into St. Louis and Kansas City.

Gov. Baker has talked with Chairman Matthews about a 10-year limitation against tax and fee increases. The commission last Thursday offered to agree to a six-year limitation and a maximum issue of \$75,000,000.

The commission and club also have had a lesser difference over the method of distributing farm-to-market road money among the counties.

Since both the commission and the club have yielded on some points, it has been the Governor's feeling that both could be induced to make further concessions in order to reach an agreement and assure unified support for the bond proposal. The club had decided to let the commission go it alone on the \$60,000,000 proposition.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to the many loving friends who assisted us so much during the sickness and death of our little daughter, also to the ones who sent the beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Terry.

Kansas City—Rubber Products, Inc., to operate plant in building at Montgall and Nicholson Avenues.

Miss Beatrice Moore of Tupelo, Miss., and Curtis Bryant of this city, were married by the Methodist pastor at the home of G. W. Moore, Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. They will make their home in Osceola, Ark., where Mr. Bryant is manager of a store.

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DAY AND NIGHT

THE BATTLE OF NEW ORLEANS AS SEEN AND DESCRIBED BY GENRAL JACKSON

Gen. Andrew Jackson, hero of the Battle of New Orleans in the War of 1812, gave the following description of that great American victory in a letter to James Monroe, subsequently President of the United States, says the National Republic:

"The battle commenced at a very little before 7 a. m., January 8, 1815, and as far as the infantry was concerned it was over by 9 a. m. My force was very much mixed. I had portions of the 7th and 44th regular infantry regiments, Kentucky and Tennessee riflemen, creoles, United States marines and sailors, Baratarian men—one of them, Capt. Dominique You, commanded part of my artillery (and a famous gunner he was), and two battalions of free negroes. I had in the action about 6000 men. The British strength was almost the same as mine, but vastly superior in drill and discipline. Of their force my riflemen killed and wounded 2117 in less than an hour, including two general officers (both died on the field, each a division commander), seven full colonels, with seventy-five line and staff officers. I lost six killed and seven wounded.

"As to tactics, there were very little in use on either side. We had some works of earth fronting the river, but the Kentucky and Tennessee riflemen, who sustained the main attack, had protected themselves by a work about two and a half feet high, made of logs placed two feet apart, and the space between filled in with earth. This work began at the Mississippi River, and ended in the swamp, being at a right angle with the river.

"Thinking this the weakest portion of our line, and seeing uninformed men behind the trifling defenses, General Pakenham thought it the best

thing to begin his attack by carrying this part of my line with the bayonet. On the third of January I had ordered that each rifleman's powder horn be filled, and enough lead for 100 bullets be issued, besides good material for bullet patching. Coffee reported to me on the 7th that this order had been obeyed, and every man had cleaned up his rifle and put a new flint into the hammer; so we were as ready as could be for the attack.

"There was a very heavy fog on the river that morning, and the British had formed and were moving before I knew it. The disposition of the riflemen was very simple. They were told off in numbers one and two. Number one was to fire first, then step back, let number two fire while he reloaded. About 600 yards from the riflemen there was a great drainage canal running back from the Mississippi River to the swamp in the rear of the tilled land on which we were operating. Along this canal the British formed, under the fire of the few artillery pieces I had near enough to them to get their range. But the instant I saw them I said to Coffee, whom I directed to hurry to his line, which was to be first attacked: 'By—, we have got them; they are ours!' Coffee dashed forward, and riding along his line, called out, 'Don't shoot until you can see their belt buckles!' The British were formed in mass, well closed up, and about two companies front.

"The British, thus formed, moved on at a quick step, without firing a shot, to within 100 yards of the kneeling riflemen, who were holding their fire till they could see the belt buckles of their enemies. The British advance was executed as though they had been on parade. They marched

shoulder to shoulder, with the step of veterans, as they were. At 100 yards distance from our line the order was given, 'Extend column front!' 'Double quick, march! Charge!' With bayonets at the charge, they came on us at a run.

"I own it was an anxious moment; I well knew that the charging column was made up of the picked troops of the British army. They had been trained by the duke (Wellington), himself, were commanded by his brother-in-law, and had successfully held off the ablest of Napoleon's marshals in the Spanish campaign. My riflemen had never seen such an attack, nor had they ever before fought white men. The morning, too, was damp their powder might not burn well. 'God help us!' I muttered, watching the rapidly advancing line. Seventy, sixty, fifty, finally forty yards, were they from the silent kneeling riflemen. All of my men I could see was their long rifles rested on the logs before them. They obeyed their orders well, not a shot was fired until the redcoats were within forty yards. I heard Coffee's voice as he roared out, 'Now, men, aim for the center of the cross-belts! Fire!' A second after the order a crackling, blazing flash rang all along our line. The smoke hung so heavily in the misty morning air that I could not see what happened. I called Tom Overton and Abner Duncan off my staff, and we galloped toward Coffee's line. In a few seconds after the first fire there came another volley. As I came within 150 yards of Coffee, the smoke lifted enough for me to make out what was happening.

"The British were falling back in a confused, disorderly mass, and the entire first ranks of their column were blown away. For 200 yards in our front the ground was covered with a mass of writhing wounded, dead and dying redcoats. By the time the rifles were wiped the British line was reformed, and on it came again. This

time they were led by General Pakenham in person, gallantly mounted, and riding as though he was on parade. Just before he got within range of Coffee's line I heard a single rifle shot from a group of country carts we had been using, about 175 yards distant, and a moment thereafter I saw Pakenham reel and pitch out of his saddle. I have always believed he fell from the bullet of a free man of color, who was a famous rifle shot and came from the Arkansas region of Louisiana. The second advance was precisely like the first in its ending. In five volleys the 1500 or more riflemen killed and wounded 2117 British soldiers, two-thirds of them killed, dead or mortally wounded. I did not know where General Pakenham was lying, or I should have sent to him, or gone in person, to offer any service in my power to render.

"I was told he lived two hours after he was hit. General Keene, I hear, was killed dead. They sent a flag to me asking leave to gather up their wounded and bury their dead, which, of course, I granted. I was told by a wounded officer that the rank and file absolutely refused to make a third charge. 'We have no chance with such shooting as these Americans do,' they said."—K. C. Star.

FLOYD RICHARD FERGUSON DIED LAST WEEK

Floyd Richard Ferguson died at his home near Noxall last Friday. He was born November 11, 1897, died on January 6, 1928, age 30 years, one month and 25 days. After a brief illness of about 60 days, having made a manifestation of being "Prepared to meet his Saviour in peace".

Mr. Ferguson leaves a loving wife and two small children, his parents, one brother and three sisters, Mrs. Alice Chapman of Mt. Erie, Ill., Mrs. Nettie Spitzer of Shattue, Ill. and Mrs. Flora Shires, wife of the Rev. Shires, who is known by many people through this section of the country.

The mother, brother and sisters and a brother law of Mr. Ferguson, who all live at Gideon and M. G. Jno. Pyland were all present at the funeral.

Interment was made at the Matthews cemetery, services being conducted at the home by Rev. R. E. Carpenter, pastor of the Methodist church of Matthews, at 10 o'clock Saturday.

Mr. Ferguson was born and reared in Missouri. He was a good man and always made friends wherever he lived. It was not only the relatives that feel the loss of a long-time friend and neighbor and citizen. But while we must give the mup in our loss of those we love is Heaven's gain.

J. KELLY WRIGHT WANTS TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

Columbia, January 9.—J. Kelly Wright of Columbia, a former lecturer for the State Board of Agriculture, announced today that he is considering becoming a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor. Wright is now field secretary for Christian College, a women's junior college here.

He said today he had traveled 300,000 miles in Missouri in his eleven years of service with the Board of Agriculture. He is a graduate of the Missouri College of Agriculture.

Thomas Julian and wife of Gray Ridge were here during the week to visit the family of their son, John J. Julian. Mr. Julian and his wife celebrated their 52d anniversary Monday of this week. Both are hale and hearty and give promise to live to celebrate many more anniversaries.

EPOCHAL WAR FILM SHOWN HERE SOON

"The World War", a motion picture utilizing a great portion of the world as a set, with entire nations playing minor parts and with eleven-twelfths of the world's population in the cast, will have its appearance at the Malone Theatre next Wednesday.

This unusual picture, which is being shown in this city under the auspices of Henry Meldrum Post of the American Legion, has been described as "at once the most thrilling and authentic history of the World War that has ever been told in pictures".

The story of this picture's creation, the lives lost in "shooting" its scenes, the months of delving into the archives of the governments of the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy, Russia and Germany to obtain official data and pictures, the years devoted to its careful preparation, and the official seals of the United States Navy and Army Departments stamped on the film (the first time in the history of motion pictures that those great seals have appeared on films), all these unusual elements in this picture's preparation make it what it is—"the first big historical motion picture of the World War".

In action covers the greatest drama in the history of the world over a period of four years. Therein lies the remarkable feature of this unusual picture; it has successfully brought to the screen in comprehensive and graphic form, the most gigantic war in the history of the world. This has been done by careful compilation of scenes that are revealing, impressive and authentic.

War in all its phases is seen in this film. There are no picked scenes. The lumbering tanks, the murderous machine guns sweeping No-Man's Land, the poisonous gas, the smoke screens, the depth bombs, sinking of ships by submarines, the flare of star-shells, the recoil of gigantic guns gouging the earth in angry protest, the wire entanglements, the falling planes, the falling men—all the elements of war are seen in this great picture.

"The title of the picture, 'The World War', is no misnomer", one critic said. "It is just that. When you have seen it you will know".

AFTER-MATH

Minnie Sayers Smith
We are removing the Christmas tree,
And placing it to one side.
There'll be no height of festivity,
Night and day our joy and pride.
Eroneous idea, thinking
All else swept away, which it brings,
While Christmas candles are blinking.

Springs new hope, 'tis then the heart sings.
So we find, all along life's pathway
Some pleasures mingle life's span,
Clearing the gloom of a lonely day,
Assisting in some great plan.

Let's pick up the threads and the tatters,
Grasp firmly our courage anew,
REMEMBERING, nothing else matters,
But, the thing which we think, say and do.

So then in the scramble and effort,
To keep right what we think and we say,
Let's not withhold an ounce of support,

But boost the right thing, the right way.

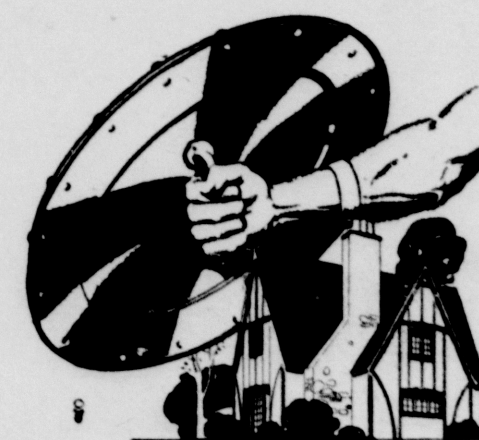
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The Green Cloak

By
YORKE DAVIS

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"I suppose some people would call that a coincidence."

"Some connection, you mean, between the woman Will Harvey testified he saw and the one we saw lying there in the hospital?"

"Morgan lived in New Zealand, didn't he? And Ashton says he had maps, vast numbers of maps of the southern Pacific—large scale maps of the groups of islands that are scattered all through it. It's fair to suppose, then, that he had some reason for interest in those far-off South Sea Islands."

"The girl!" I exclaimed. "The girl in the hospital!—Did you mean that she comes from that part of the world? From one of those islands in the South seas?"

"The mark on her arm is enough to prove that," he answered.

He paused there, but I knew that was not all.

"That queer mumbled song of hers?" I hazarded.

He took another turn across the room before he answered that question. "Yes, I understood it," he said at last. "That song, as you call it, was an old Maori death chant."

Doctor McAllister had resumed his thoughtful patrol of the room. "Of course," he said half under his breath, "it may be a coincidence, just that and nothing more."

"No," said I. "No, I can't believe that. There must be some stronger connection than mere chance, between the murdered body of that man in the house out at Oak Ridge and the death chant of that girl at whose bedside we stood tonight. It must be more than chance."

But my chief turned upon me sharply. "Don't make the mistake of thinking that," he said. "There is no greater source of error in the world than the belief that unlikely things can't happen. They happen every day, coincidences, against which the chances are a thousand to one. Still," he paused in his stride and plowed his hands through his thick gray hair—"still, to put it conservatively, it's vastly more likely than not that there is a connection; that this girl has some place in that unknown past of his, which he thought he had sponged out so completely."

"Well," said I, "if she was any place at all, isn't it altogether likely that she is the person who committed the murder? And if that's so—well, what are we going to do about it? Tell Ashton?"

He wheeled round at that and smote a near-by door panel with his right fist. "No, by thunder, no! Not that. Not, at least, until we've solved this mystery for ourselves; until we are sure we understand it. And I mean by that," he went on, looking at me fixedly, "I mean a good deal more than merely proving she was the woman whom Will Harvey swore he saw in silhouette upon the shade; until we've proved more than that it was her hands that pulled taut the catgut string around the old man's neck."

"What more than that," I asked unsteadily, "can you hope to prove, or want to prove?"

"This," he said, stopping before me and looking straight into my face; "this. That it was her will which directed the hands, and not her soul that was responsible for the crime."

"You mean," I gasped with sudden half-perception of his meaning, "that there may be another will concerned in the business?"

"Exactly that," he answered. "I mean that judging from that girl's condition tonight, it may very well be

that the real murderer of that old man was no nearer to the scene in Oak Ridge the night the murder was committed than we are now."

CHAPTER III

The next day Doctor McAllister and I each packed a handbag with enough to keep us going for two or three days, and about noon set out for Oak Ridge. The weather had been fine and rather mild for November, but shortly after our return from the hospital the night before, the wind had whipped round into the north. By morning it had developed into a lusty gale, which drove the fine stinging rain and sleet slantwise, down from a leaden sky. By the time we were ready to start, the rain was already turning to snow.

We rode in the half-filled smoking car, and hardly exchanged a word, until after we had pulled out from a tiny suburban station and the brakeman, opening the door amid a hail of clanders, had cried out: "Oak Ridge next." Then Doctor McAllister, who sat facing me, leaned forward.

"Our friend Ashton has a considerable power of vivid description," he said. "Unless I'm altogether mistaken,

the young man who is setting three seats behind you, on the other side of the aisle, is the witness of whom he told us yesterday. I felt tolerably sure of it when my eye first lighted on him. He's going to get off at Oak Ridge, and I think that settles it. One small town could hardly boast another like him."

"How do you know he's going to get off at Oak Ridge?" I asked.

"He straightened up a little in his seat and began to readjust his necktie when the brakeman called the name of the town."

When I had made a pretext for changing over and sitting with the doctor, I quite agreed with his identification. There, to the life, was the young man whom Ashton had described to us. I thought I could see traces upon him of the grilling to which Ashton must have subjected him this morning. His eyes were sullen, his color unstable and his hands fidgety. I was half-inclined to think there might be something in the theory of Mallory, the detective, after all.

Evidently Doctor McAllister had no share in this idea, for he lost interest in the young man the moment he was satisfied his identification of him had been correct. When the train stopped at Oak Ridge and we followed William Harvey out of the car, the doctor did not cast a single glance after his retreating figure.

By rare good fortune we found an auto pulled up beside the station platform waiting for the train, a flapping, dilapidated, mud-stained, ramshackle affair, with a driver to match.

After a moment or two of canny bargaining on the doctor's part, we found ourselves jolting along over a frozen, rutty road toward our destination.

"There's the house," said the driver at last. "But you're pretty late for the funeral, if that's what you've come for. It must be about over by this time."

Neither of us had thought of the funeral, and the sight of a hearse and a single car, waiting there in the windswept road, gave us, with our errand, a rather disagreeable sense of incongruity. That feeling was heightened when, leaving our bags in the hall, we were shown by the undertaker into a large, dim front parlor.

Here we saw death in its most conventional form. A little group of people sitting in rows in little folding chairs, a minister reading the service, a quartette from the village choir ready to sing another hymn when he should have done.

When, at the end of the service, the customary opportunity was offered for a last look at the body which lay there in its black casket, my companion rose and, nodding to me to follow him, took his place in the little procession that was filing round the coffin.

I could not do it; that act, somehow, seemed to put the crowning touch upon our intrusion.

"Oh, I know how you felt about it," said my chief when the service was over, the people gone and we were left alone in the old house—alone, that is, with the addition of Mallory. "I'm glad I haven't to go through it again, though I'm glad I did, even at some violence to what they call our better instincts. I wouldn't have missed my look into that face for a good deal."

"You didn't recognize?" I cried. "He isn't anyone you knew, long ago, out there in New Zealand?"

"Not individually," said the doctor with a smile at my sudden excitement, at the sudden recession of those "better instincts" of mine. "Not individually, though that I might have been well within the possibilities. But he belongs to a type that I knew all too well. Did it ever occur to you to wonder why it is that full gray beards and spectacles are always regarded as infallible indications of benevolent respectability? But there's a scar beneath that gray beard that was not come by in any peaceful occupation; and even without it, the whole construction of the skull and jaw, the facial angle, the shape of the ears, all proclaim him a rough customer—the sort of man who might well have a past that he was vainly trying to escape from. No, upon the whole, I am glad that Ashton left us free to work out this problem without holding us responsible to him for our results."

Our conversation was interrupted there by the appearance of Mallory at the doctor's elbow. It was rather amusing to watch his face as he read the note from Ashton that the doctor handed him. It was easy to see, from his suppressed smile of contemptuous amusement, that the district attorney had represented us as a couple of harmless cranks who might safely be permitted to amuse themselves upon the scene of crime as they chose.

"All right," he said, folding up the note and thrusting it into his pocket. "Make yourselves at home. Do you plan to spend the night here?"

"Two or three nights, perhaps," said the doctor. "We want to do a little looking about."

"Well," said Mallory, with jocular sarcasm, "if you find the secret of the old man's past, or meet up with that mysterious woman that one of the witnesses testified about at the inquest, why, let me know."

"You mean to spend the night here yourself, don't you?" I asked.

"Well, part of it, perhaps. I've got some looking about to do. But you needn't mind me. I've got a key and can let myself in at any time."

An hour later, after a bountiful but vily cooked meal at a little restaurant near the railway station, we returned to the house and began our investigation in earnest.

The first room, of course, to attract our attention was the room where the

murder took place, the study on the third floor. Across one end of the room ran a rule set of homemade shelves occupied, perhaps, by two or three hundred nondescript volumes. A very large, much-littered desk stood in the middle of the larger part of the room, while in the alcove was a high deal table of the sort used by draughtsmen. A stool stood before it, and a swivel chair in front of the desk.

In one of the numerous corners of the room was an immense hamper, which seemed to have served the purpose of a waste-paper basket. The detectives had evidently examined the contents of it in their search for a clue to the murdered man's identity, but had not thought the contents worth preserving. There was a litter of small scraps about it, and that was all. A rusty oil stove completed the tale of the furniture.

And then there were his maps. They were curiously disposed for a man who made a habit of geography. They lay about the floor in great rolls. The one or two I looked at, after my preliminary glance about the apartment, were of recent date and bore the stamp of the British board of trade.

I was holding one of them out in my hands and poring over it, wondering



I Was Holding One of Them Out in My Hands and Poring Over It.

rather idly, what possible interest this group of tiny coral reefs could have had for a man who lived as Henry Morgan had lived, here in this village of Oak Ridge, when a sharp exclamation from Doctor McAllister drew my attention away from it.

He was standing close beside a big green-shaded lamp and bending over something which he had just taken from the top drawer of the desk. I shivered a little when I saw what it was, saw that it was a violin string.

The expression of the doctor's face, as he turned toward me, betrayed both indignation and excitement. "The prosecution of crime still goes on the basis that telling the truth is an easy thing to do; that a man does tell the truth, unless he means to lie. The man who came up here and found the body of Henry Morgan testified that he had been strangled by a noose. They thought it was true, because strangulation by a noose is the only kind they ever heard of. But look at this."

He held it out to me, and, my repugnance forgotten, I took it in hand. Instead of one knot, the string contained two, one near the end, the other about fifteen inches away. They were tied just alike, and were knots of the fixed-loop variety, very like a bowline.

"If there were only a knot at the end," said the doctor, "the rest of the string could have been drawn through it to form a noose; but, of course, with this second knot of equal size that becomes impossible. The man was strangled, not by a noose at all, but by a tourniquet—a little stick—a lead pencil perhaps—run through the two loops and twisted."

"Look here!" he cried the next moment, with rising excitement. "Here's the rest of the instrument."

He held out for my inspection a long straight-stemmed briar pipe, and I was able to see, just at the base of the bowl, a shiny, circular indentation. The ghastly clearness of the demonstration of the murderer's method sickened me a little, and I dropped the pipe rather quickly.

My chief was pacing up and down the room, talking to himself. "I never believed in that noose—not really believed in it."

"You are undoubtedly right about it," said I, "but is the discovery important? Does it make any real difference?"

"That depends on the point of view," said he. "To the late Henry Morgan, I suppose it made no difference at all. To an ethnologist, it makes all the difference in the world. The Caucasian uses the noose. With him it has been the instrument of execution, of murder and of suicide from time immemorial. But there are other races that never heard of it. The aborigines in my part of the world never did. With them it was always this." He caught up the string as he spoke, and jerked it taut in both hands. "It's the instrument of ceremonial murder. They used to send widows out of the world this way, until the British government put a stop to that etiquette."

Then, and only then, did I realize the importance of the discovery. "And the girl at the hospital?" I questioned. "Would those two loops be familiar to her?"

He nodded gravely. "I'll tell you this," said he, "I'm glad I'm under no obligation to report to Ashton, until I'm ready."

Then he did a characteristic thing. He put the thing back in the drawer where he had found it, closed the drawer, straightened up, with a shrug of his broad shoulders, and said, in obviously good faith: "Come, let's be gin."

Rather to my surprise, the doctor made straight for the waste-paper basket, growled a little at the "fools" who had emptied it, and patiently gathered together the few scraps that were left, some clinging in the interstices of the basket, some littered about the floor outside.

As I bent over to help him, he held out an irregular bit of thick white paper for my inspection. "He was a queer geographer, sure enough," was his comment. "He tore up his maps. This is part of one. There's a fact which might well have struck previous investigators as curious, but apparently did not. If he tore them up, it was because he was through with them. And if he could get through with them so that he could be sure he wouldn't want them any more, it was because they were meant to serve him some single, definite purpose. When they had so served it, or had failed to serve it, then he destroyed them to get them out of the way. That's logical, isn't it?"

"Absolutely, so far as I can see."

Presently he carried another scrap over to the draughting table, scrutinized its bare surface rather minutely, and then offered this second morsel of paper for my inspection.

"Well, that's one thing he did with his maps. He pinned them down on this table of his with thumb-tacks."

He pulled open a little drawer in the table, took out first some pencils, rulers and compasses, and finally a rectangular contrivance made of wood, on rods, with flexible joints at the corners.

"Do you know what this is?" he asked. For a wonder I did, and he did not. That was a situation which arose but rarely.

"It's a pantograph," said I. "It's used for copying on an enlarged or reduced scale. You can set the scale to anything you like."

"That's what it means, then," said the doctor, turning away from the table, with a nod of satisfaction. "He spread his maps out here, and when they weren't on a large enough scale to suit him, he drew them up bigger, and then tore them up. No, that won't do. There's some intervening process. He needed those charts on a larger scale than he could get, and he enlarged them until they suited that unknown purpose of his. But of that purpose itself, we've found no trace. We may never find a trace, but if he's left a clue to it anywhere, I think we may hope to find it."

(Continued Tuesday)

The man with the dual personality never gets the worst one hurt in a traffic accident.—Arkansas Gazette.

The homes are said to be failing in their greatest duty, but at least they keep places open where the children can come home to sleep.—Newark (Ohio) Advocate.



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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Ed Parker was taken to the hospital in Cairo, Saturday in the Albritton ambulance of Sikeston. Mrs. Parker was suffering from blood poisoning. She gave birth to a son about one week ago and has been very ill since. It was thought by being moved to the hospital she may recover. On Tuesday Mrs. Parker passed away. At the time of this writing, funeral arrangements had not been arranged.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherry and sons, Raymond and Lynn, D. Parker and Ed Parker accompanied Mrs. Ed Parker to the Cairo hospital, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Horn returned to their home in Conran Tuesday, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Duckworth.

Miss Blanche Revelle spent Sunday with Miss Marie Binford.

Mrs. Mary Maxwell and little son, Richard, and nephew, Kenneth Roberts of San Antonio, Texas, are visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carruthers.

Mrs. Don Koche of Canolou spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Geo. Elderbrooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Duckworth motored to Conran Wednesday to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Buckles and little daughter of Sikeston visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gill Brooks, Sunday.

Mrs. Milus R. Davis of Canolou spent Monday and Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carruthers.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and Mrs. G. D. Englehart were Sikeston visitors, on Monday.

Empson Brewer of Canolou was a Matthews visitor, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Young shopped in Sikeston, Monday.

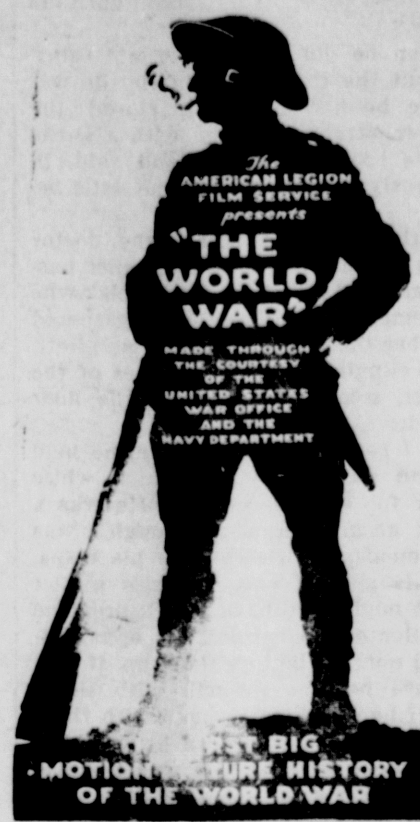
NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Good sound planting seed of both corn and cotton will be scarcer this spring than has been the case in many years. Most of the farmers in New Madrid County will plant seed which they have grown during the past year, unfortunately, much of the seed of this past year will not be of high enough germination power to make it advisable for this. Considerable care should be exercised by the farmers in selecting their seed for the spring planting. It is unnecessary that they guess it to be good enough, but they can have the seed tested without any charge through the office of the County Extension Agent.

It is urged that all farmers who have saved their seed or have bought seed of which they do not know the germination bring a small sample a handful will be sufficient, to the County Extension Agent's office. It will require from two to three weeks to conduct a germinating test and the quicker samples are brought in, the quicker the test will be completed. To plant a poor seed means not only a loss of time, but a decreased yield of poor quality, which means also a loss of money. This can be avoided if the seeds are tested before planting time.

Permanent pasture is the most valuable crop on the farm according to Alfred Stepp a New Madrid County farmer this opinion has also been voiced by other prominent farmers, and is generally considered to be correct.

According to County Agent Scott M. Julian, every farmer should raise some live stock, but Mr. Julian states



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that live stock cannot be raised profitably without proper pastures. There seems to be a growing tendency among farmers in the county to increase their live stock holdings; this is unquestionably a very fine move, and has the endorsement of bankers and business men.

A point to be remembered however, is that there must be sufficient pasturage to care for the stock if any money is expected to be made.

There are several good pasture mixtures for permanent pastures, and any farmer desiring information concerning this, can secure it at the County Extension Agent's office. Spring pastures should be sown, particularly if they have clover in the mixtures, towards the last of February or the first of March. This time

is rapidly approaching and plans should be made before the planting time arrives.

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Mrs. J. O. Bebout, Mrs. S. B. Hardwick and Mrs. Robb of Bertrand, Mrs. Boyce, Mrs. Benson and Mrs. Berger of Oran were among the many out-of-town visitors to see the picture, Ben Hur, at Malone Theatre Tuesday afternoon.

MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL REVIEW NEWS

Leeton—Annual meeting of Leeton Livestock Shipping Association will be held here January 21.

Dresel—Another oil well brought in in this section 12 on Miller farm, seven miles southwest.

Princeton—O. S. Tallent to install hatchery here shortly.

Hamilton—Burlington has extra gang here laying new and heavier steel rails.

Boonville—New addition to St. Joseph's Hospital nearing completion.

Columbia—New town springing up on U. S. Highway No. 41 eighteen miles east of here.

Mother Makes 'Em Best

by O. Lawrence Hawthorne

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Sometimes a neighbor-lady, too,
Is lucky, an' brings us a few—
But, gosh, our famly always needs a lot!

When Mother hasn't any more,
Sometimes she buys some at the store,
But every kind tastes jes' like all the rest.
You bet yer neck I like the cake
An' cookies other people bake;
But my own Mother always makes 'em best!



Oak Hill—Purchase of lime pulverizer contemplated.

Alton—Work on road between here and Thomasville completed.

Edina—Office of Bell Telephone Co. moves to larger quarters in Simpson building.

Guthrie—Chicago & Alton Railroad to maintain station agent at Guthrie on South Branch.

Exeter—Business men here to replace burned buildings.

Springfield—Detour on highway 66 between Stafford and Holman east of here eliminated.

New Franklin—New State Bank, Exchange Bank of New Franklin, chartered.

Purdy—Empire District Electric Company constructing power line southward from here to point near Cassville.

Versailles—Central Missouri Mining Company of Versailles to erect lead and zinc mill of 10 tons daily capacity.

Joplin—This place and Kansas City connected by hardsurfaced all-year highway; 60 per cent concrete.

Farmington—Approaches to new bridge across Wolf Creek on 61 three miles south of here will be surfaced.

Salem—19 cans of fish planted in Meramec and Current Rivers.

Campbell—Clay-Dunklin Oil & Gas Company to drill 2 tests near this place.

Cowgill—Fire department organized here.

Clarksdale—"Clarksdale Journal" is new paper being published here.

Shelbyville—E. Smith and J. McKethen shipped load of 1188 steers to St. Louis market from here on recent day.

Westphalia—Town board grants franchise to Gasconade Light & Power Company for electric current.

Greenville—Arkansas-Mo. Power Company wiring buildings in Greenville and Williamsville.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

The beekeepers of Southeast Missouri organized at a meeting in Morehouse Monday night. There were two members of the board of directors elected from each county in Southeast Missouri. L. A. Schott of Benton was elected to draft a tentative set of by-laws and a constitution. The first meeting of the board of directors will be held in the Chamber of Commerce room in Sikeston, Tuesday, January 24, at eight o'clock.

Boone & Son Grocery has bought out the Walden grocery and moved to the old Walden location.

The Morehouse Tigers play Cape Girardeau Central Thursday night at Cape. The girls' basketball team will play Canolou Friday night at the local gym followed by an independent game between Morehouse and Canolou.

Professor Bryce Edwards will start an extension course in olericulture at Matthews next Monday. This is a University of Missouri course for three hours credit. Teachers of the Sikeston district who want credit, can advantageously take this course at a small cost compared to resident work at the University.

Mrs. W. R. Griffin went to Cairo on Wednesday to spend the remainder of the week visiting here son, William Marvin.

Mrs. Brice Edwards and son spent Wednesday in Charleston, the guests of Mrs. P. H. Teal.

P. H. Teal, County Agent of Mississippi County, was a business visitor in Morehouse, Wednesday.

Farmington—Traffic sign to be erected at intersection of highway 61 and Potosi Street at northwest city limits.



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